

Michigan's Status and Progress

In Manufacturing Matters as Shown by
Interesting Bulletins from Na-
tional Census Bureau

COMPARISONS WITH OTHER STATES

In Capital Invested, Wages Paid
and Total Products, Michi-
gan Takes High Rank

Census bulletins for thirty-four of the states have now been issued by the national census bureau, with results of the census of manufactures taken by federal authority, and they afford basis for some useful and interesting comparisons for us in Michigan. Our state is in an exceptional position with respect to this census of manufactures, in that the field work was done jointly by state and national authority, and by state and national officers working together. This was not the case in any of the other states, and it was authorized, by a special act of congress of March 1, 1904; and in order to comply with the state law the statistics for this state are for the year ending June 30, 1904, while for the other states report is for the calendar year 1904. The joint co-operation was a measure of economy both for the state and the national government, avoiding duplication in the work, and securing uniformity in the results. This census of manufactures in its own form, confined to manufacturing establishments under what is known as the factory system and excluding neighborhood industries and hand trades, as building, blacksmithing, custom grinding, etc., is now a permanent institution, under act of congress of March 5, 1902, and it will be one of permanent and cumulative importance.

Selecting for comparison with Michigan five states not varying widely in population, we find our state takes high rank in extent and in progress of manufacturing industries. The figures given in the following table represent so many millions of dollars, in invested capital, wages, and product of manufacturing establishments. The states are arranged in order of greatest population.

	Capital	Wages	Product
Indiana	312	72	393
Michigan	338	81	429
Iowa	111	23	160
Kentucky	147	24	159
Tennessee	102	22	148
Alabama	105	21	109

Michigan has seventy-five hundred establishments, to seven thousand in Indiana, and from a fourth to half as many in the other states named; and twenty thousand more wage earners in factories than Indiana, and from three to four times as many as the other states. Our percent of gain from 1900 is greater in nearly all of the items than in Indiana, Iowa or Kentucky; but Tennessee and Alabama outstrip us in present relative growth, though not a little of the new development in the south is Michigan enterprise and capital. Comparisons in rate of growth and also made between cities within the state, which put Lansing far in the lead in percentage of increase in capital, workmen, wages, materials consumed, and value of product—in some items doubling highest rate elsewhere. Battle Creek follows, and Kalamazoo comes next; and yet the gain in all the cities is rapid. Comparisons also, between different lines of manufacture are afforded, of no small interest, both within the state and between the states.

Lumber and timber, which rank first among Michigan's products, are first also in West Virginia, Arkansas, Montana and Idaho; second in Kentucky, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, South Carolina, Florida and Minnesota; and third in Alabama, North Carolina and Arizona. Foundry and machine shop products, which are Michigan's second best, are third in Indiana, Tennessee, Delaware, Rhode Island and Connecticut and fourth in Alabama, Maryland and Colorado. Michigan's third is flour and grain mill products, which are first in Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Colorado, Utah, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama and Virginia; second in Kansas, Nebraska, Montana, Idaho and Missouri; third in West Virginia; fourth in Iowa, Arizona, Arkansas and North Carolina. Copper is our fourth product, while Arizona ranks it first. Michigan's fifth product is carriages and wagons, which do not appear so high as fifth rank in any other state, but furniture which we rate sixth, is fifth in North Carolina. Slaughtering and meat rank first in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri; second in Indiana, and twenty-second with us. Tobacco and snuff are first in Florida, second in North Carolina, third in Missouri and Virginia, and thirteenth in Michigan. Cheese butter and condensed milk are tenth with us; but first in Vermont, second in Iowa, third in the two Dakotas, fourth in Minnesota, fifth in Kansas,

Nebraska and Utah; and Wisconsin, when reported, will rank well up in that line. Governor Warner has set out to bring the Michigan dairy interests up to a better rank with their sister industries, and if a census of manufactures were taken now, instead of 1904, it would show results already.

It will perhaps be a surprise to some and possibly as much to printers as to any, to find printing and publishing standing second among the industries of Colorado and the Dakotas, third in Nebraska, Oklahoma and Utah, fourth in Iowa and Idaho and fifth in Tennessee, Minnesota and Montana. They are eighteenth in Michigan, and paper and pulp are fourteenth but fourth in New Hampshire and Delaware. The building of cars other than by railroad companies, holding twenty-third rank in Michigan, is second in Delaware, Utah and Arizona, third in Kansas, Colorado and Idaho, fourth in Virginia, Tennessee, Nebraska and Montana, and fifth in Iowa and Arkansas. Rhode Island gives first place to worsted goods, New Hampshire and North and South Carolina to cotton goods, Connecticut to roll brass and copper. Oil and cotton seed and cake are second in Arkansas and Oklahoma; and Oklahoma's fourth manufactured product in value is ice. Florida's third is turpentine and resin; the fourth in South Carolina is fertilizer, in Rhode Island jewelry, in Vermont tomatoes; in Kansas, zinc, and in Utah, confectionery. These are among the queries.

Land Commissioner Ross is in the upper peninsula this week, looking after trespass depredations upon the state lands. This is an evil which has been very much reduced in recent years, the vigilant and persistent following up of the offenders by the land department and its trespass officers, and following the money collections with criminal prosecutions where evidence was sufficient, having exerted a wholesome influence upon the timber thieves.

The chairman of the democrat state convention last week brought a very severe indictment against the state administration for extravagant waste of the people's money, in maintaining the electric illumination of the dome of the state capitol with "thousands" of lights, at great expense. It sounds well to let it go out that there are thousands of lights blazing from the lofty and graceful dome that surmounts our beautiful statehouse, but in fact there are not many above three quarters of one thousand, the cost of which is about one thousand dollars a year, and this lights the entire grounds, making needless the other lights formerly used. The cost of one thousand dollars, uniformly spread upon the population of the state, makes it necessary for every twenty-five persons to club together and raise a cent or spread upon the assessment roll it adds one cent to every \$38.00 of state, which is about the proportion for the man who pays a total of four hundred dollars of all taxes. At that rate, let's keep the upper lights burning.

HORTON.

Notice of Teachers Examination.

There will be an examination of teachers at the Court House in Grayling, Thursday and Friday, October 18th and 19th. The subjects to be examined on are as follows:

Reading: "Gray Champion"—Hawthorne.
Arithmetic: Occupations—the paper hanger, lumber dealer, carpet-man, proportion, mensuration, surfaces, solids, square root, cube root.
Grammar: Verbs and their modifications, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, and their various forms and uses, sentence analysis, sentence arrangement, paragraphing and punctuation.

Geography:—Eurasia, Africa, Australia and islands in Pacific and Indian Oceans.
U. S. History:—The Revolution including the Critical period, the Constitution, including among other things a study of the Federal constitution, a comparison of Constitution with Articles of Confederation, Northwestern Territory as a bond of union.
Theory and Art—Based partly on Dutton's School Management.

Civil Government—President's cabinet and duties, Governor's appointees and duties, Ambassadors, Ministers, Consuls.

J. E. BRADLEY,
County Commissioner.

The German Government has purchased a beautiful sight on Kalorama Heights for a new German Embassy. It will be directly opposite the new French Embassy. The Germans propose to have a palatial building costing \$250,000. It is expected that Hon. Nick Longworth will feel more than ever that his bill providing for the purchase of similar places for the use of the United States Diplomatic Corps in foreign countries, ought to be passed at the next session of Congress, when he sees the elegant mansion that the Germans intend to build here.

Had to Go.

An active New Yorker rushed up to the ticket window, showed his money through the hand-hole and said to the man in the office: "I want to go to Philadelphia!" The agent looked at him in surprise and answered witheringly: "You're a liar; you've got to go." He then handed out the ticket, smiling superciliously.

Mistakes of Learned Men.

It is a notorious fact that nearly all of the arts and sciences were violently opposed, at the time of their introduction, by the highly educated men. The true theory of the earth and sun, the motion of the heavenly bodies, gravitation, the circulation of the blood, vaccination, all had to go under censorship and be condemned.

Michigan Drained by Lake.

Of all the states which border on the great lakes Michigan is the only one which is drained or chiefly drained into these inland seas. As a rule, the drainage basin of the lakes is bounded by summits, commonly low and often difficult to locate precisely, which are surprisingly near their shores.

The Old and the New Day.

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities, no doubt, crept in; forget them as soon as you can. To-morrow is a new day; you shall begin it well and serenely and with too high a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Asbestos Stockings for Soldiers.

A new and rather surprising application of asbestos is for army stockings, which has been shown to be less irritating to the feet of soldiers on the march than other stockings, and the war department of Austria is considering their general adoption.

Mending Broken China.

To mend broken china powder a small quantity of lime and take the white of one egg and mix together in a paste. Apply quickly to the china to be mended. Place the pieces firmly together, and they will soon become set and strong, seldom breaking in the same place.

Romance in Real Life.

A woman living near Long Sutton, in Lincolnshire, who is 70 years of age, is going out to Australia to marry her old lover whom she lost trace of 50 years ago. Since they separated she has gone to the altar three times and the man twice.

Even the Wild Beasts at Ephesus.

A Montana man's life was saved by his high collar, which checked the course of his opponent's razor. A man with the courage to wear a high collar in this kind of weather deserves to escape from anything.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Gray Eyes and Intellect.

The gray eye is an almost universal characteristic of people of great intellect. Black eyes indicate an ardent temper, while light blue eyes, which are found chiefly among the Scandinavians, denote a cheerful disposition and a constant nature.

Uncle Eben.

"De world owes you a livin'," said Uncle Eben, "but you's gotter make some kind of a showin' to decide whether it's winter be cold mush or peaches an' cream."—Washington Star.

Riches.

Faith and charity are sure fruits of heart communion with heaven, and these perfumes of the soul cannot be long preserved unless we come sometimes into a desert place and rest awhile.—T. K. Cheyne.

Eureka.

Isaacstien (late of Whitchopeal, showing old friend over bathroom in new house): "What a! I goin' to do with it? Well, you see, I've always wanted a place where I could keep goldfish!"—Punch.

To Renovate Polished Wood.

Marks on polished wood made by hot dishes should be rubbed with paraffin. This will remove the white marks, and you can afterwards polish with beeswax and turpentine in the usual way.

Admits Queer Position.

Lady Frances Balfour admits that, although for almost a lifetime she had devoted herself to the cause of women doctors, she could never bring herself to be attended by one.

Wonderful Magnetic Well.

A magnetic well has been discovered in New Guinea. Any article of iron or steel dipped into its water at once becomes magnetic.

Road to Health.

For the average man and woman the royal road to health is moderation in everything—even in being moderate!—Food and Cookery.

Wealth of Japan.

An official return just issued by the Japanese government gives the wealth of Japan at the end of 1904 as \$6,510,493,000, or \$145 per head.

Exception That Proves the Rule.

The stoutest pessimist is an optimist about himself.—Life.

In China.

Persons bearing the same surname are forbidden to marry in China.

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Mortgage Sale.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated the 12th day of October A. D. 1901, executed by Charles D. How of Adrian, Mich., to Almond L. Bliss of the same place, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber G. of Mortgages on page 364 and 365, on the 16th day of October 1901. By assignment dated April 21st A. D. 1906 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for said county of Crawford, on the 6th day of June A. D. 1906 in Liber F. of Mortgages pages 48, 49, Charles M. Bliss and W. Herbert Goff, executors of the last will of said Almond L. Bliss deceased, assigned said mortgage to Almira A. Bliss who is now the owner thereof. The amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice including principal interest and taxes paid is the sum of Three hundred and Seventy-five dollars and five cents (\$375.05) and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said power of sale, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the Court House in Grayling, in the County of Crawford, on the 17th day of September A. D. 1906 at 12 o'clock noon of that day, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said county. Said premises are described in said mortgage as all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The South half of the South East Quarter of section Twenty-eight (28) in town Twenty-five (25) north of Range three West, being 36 acres more or less.

Dated June 15, 1906.

JOHN H. GORFE, ALMIRA A. BLISS,

Att'ys for Assignee.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the matter of the estate of Hans Mason, late of the village of Grayling, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that four months from the 24th day of August A. D. 1906, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the village of Grayling in said county, on or before the 24th day of December A. D. 1906 and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 24th day of December A. D. 1906, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.
Dated August 24 A. D. 1906.
WELLINGTON BATTERSON,
Judge of Probate.

Notice of Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the twenty-fourth day of March A. D. 1906, executed by Joseph Nephew of Grayling village, Crawford county, Michigan to Marius Hanson of the same place, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the county of Crawford and State of Michigan, in Liber H of Mortgages on page 456, on the Twenty-fourth day of August in the year 1906, at eight o'clock a. m. And whereas, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of Twenty-six dollars and thirty-one cents of principal and interest, and the further sum of Fifteen dollars as an attorney fee as provided by law in such case, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

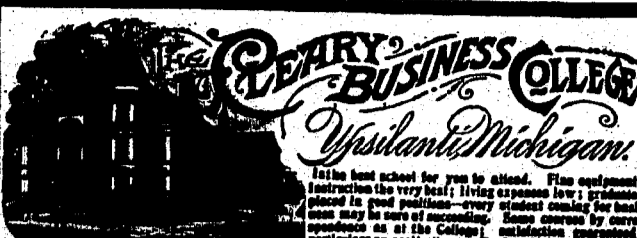
Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in Grayling village, in the county of Crawford, on the Twenty-fourth day of November next at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day; which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the Village of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to-wit: Lot Three of block Two, of Salling, Hanson & Company's addition to the Village of Grayling according to the recorded plat thereof. Dated August 27th, A. D. 1906.

MARIUS HANSON,


Mortgagee.

GEO. L. ALEXANDER,

Attorney.



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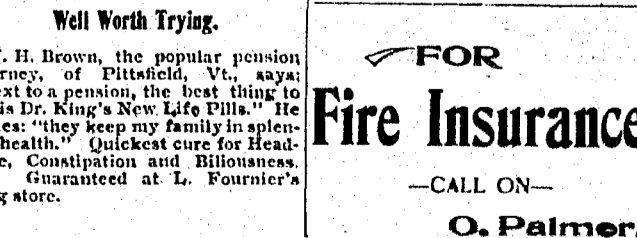
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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Pastor Rev. J. F. Thompson. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. Sabbath school, 12 m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Junior League, 8:45 p. m. Tuesday, prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m. Thursday.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Regular church service at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School immediately after morning service. J. L. R. C. at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. L. Filmer, Pastor.

DANISH EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH.—Rev. A. C. Kildgaard, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 9:00 a. m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Services every first and third Sunday of the month. Confession on the preceding Saturday. On Sunday, mass at 10 o'clock a. m.; 2:30 Sunday School at 2:30 o'clock p. m.; Vespers and Benediction at 7 o'clock p. m. On the Monday after the third Sunday mass at 8 o'clock a. m. (standard time). G. Goodhouse, Pastor; J. J. Hines, Assistant.

GRAYLING LODGE, No. 356, F. & A. M.—Meets in regular communication on Thursday evening on or before the full of the moon. **WRIGHT HAYDEN, W. M.**
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MARVIN POST, No. 240, G. A. R.—Meets the second and fourth Saturdays in each month. **MRS. LUCYAN SMITH, Post Com.**
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MRS. KITTIE NOLAN, Record Keeper.

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MAY SMITH, Secretary.

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The minister's wife was busily engaged one afternoon mending the family clothes when a neighbor called for a friendly chat. After a few moments of news and gossip the caller remarked, as she began to inspect a basket of miscellaneous buttons:

"You seem to be unusually well supplied with buttons of all kinds. Why, there is one like my husband had on his last winter's suit."

"Indeed," said the minister's wife, with a slight smile. "All these buttons were found in the contribution box, and I thought I might as well have some use out of them. Well, must you go? Well, good-by. Come again soon."

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Verdict for Dr. Pierce

AGAINST THE
Ladies' Home Journal.

Something truth after Dr. It is an old maxim that "a lie will travel seven leagues while truth is getting its boots on," and no doubt hundreds of thousands of good people read the unwarranted and malicious attack upon Dr. R. V. Pierce and his "Favorite Prescription" published in the May (1904) number of the Ladies' Home Journal, with its great black display headings, which never saw the humble, groveling retraction, with its inconspicuous heading, published two months later. It was boldly charged in the slanderous and libelous article that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, for the cure of woman's weaknesses and ailments, contained alcohol and other harmful ingredients. Dr. Pierce promptly brought suit against the publishers of the Ladies' Home Journal, for \$200,000.00 damages.

Dr. Pierce alleged that Mr. Bok, the editor, maliciously published the article containing such false and defamatory matter with the intent of injuring his business, and that he had no alcohol, or other harmful ingredients, in his "Favorite Prescription"; that said medicine is made from native medicinal roots and contains no harmful ingredients whatsoever; and that Mr. Bok's malicious statement were wholly and absolutely false. The retraction printed by said Journal, they were forced to acknowledge that they had published a malicious and defamatory article, and that they had no right to do so. The action in the Supreme Court. But the business of Dr. Pierce was greatly injured by the publication of the libelous article with its great display headings, while hundreds of thousands who read the wickedly defamatory article were misled into believing that the medicine was a dangerous and harmful concoction, and that it contained alcohol and other harmful ingredients. The matter was, however, brought before a jury in the Supreme Court of New York State which promptly rendered a verdict in the doctor's favor. Thus his traducers came to grief and their base slanders were refuted.

Bad, Bad Kitty!
The scientists made out a good case against the house cat, who, with all her charming and lovable qualities, is shown to be an agent of disease, and a wholesale destroyer of bird life. Dr. Caroline A. Osborne, who has been conducting experiments at Clark University, has found that cats have diphtheria, whooping cough, tuberculosis, eczema and ringworm. Even when cats do not actually contract these maladies they may carry the contagion about with them. As animals they are responsible for the death of about fifty birds a year, according to E. H. Forbush, State Ornithologist for Massachusetts, not including the suffering they inflict by their mauling of birds, squirrels and rabbits. Philadelphia Press.

To Ladies Only.—The wish to be beautiful is predominant in every woman, and none can say she does not want, whether she is beautiful or not. Dr. T. Felix Goussard's Oriental Cream or Magical Beautifier effects a clear transparent complexion, free from Tan, Freckles or Moth Patches, and so closely imitating nature as to defy detection. It has the highest medical testimony as well as professional celebrities, and on its own merits it has become one of the largest and a popular specialty in the trade. Fred T. Hopkins, Sole Proprietor, 37 Great Jones street, New York. For sale by all druggists and fancy goods dealers throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

Grateful Change.
"Don't you want to borrow my lawn mower?" asked Mr. Goodman, addressing the man that had just moved into the house next door.
"Why, yes, thank you," answered the new neighbor, with alacrity.
"Well, you're an improvement on the man who lived there before you, anyhow," said Mr. Goodman, lifting the machine over the backyard fence. "I always had to mow his lawn myself."

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Cart Before the Horse.
It was a great mistake for the people of Russia to attempt to secure a perfect government before 10-cent magazines were established in that country.—Butte City Inter-Mountain.

Nothing Lacking.
"Is your new flat thoroughly up to date?"
"Yes; it has all the modern inconveniences."

Open World

Woman cooks of New York are forming a union.

The layers have secured a 25 per cent increase in Boston, Mass.

The German Metal Workers' Union is the strongest union in the world.

Painters of Louisville, Ky., have obtained the eight-hour day and an advance of 10 per cent.

Seventeen new local unions have been formed by the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' Alliance in the last quarter.

Electrical workers of Grand Rapids, Mich., with the exception of three shops, have been granted the eight-hour day.

The labor organizations of America gained 3,204 new unions last year, embracing a membership of 300,000 individuals.

During the first six months of 1903 fifty-three divisions of street railway employees effected written agreements with employing companies.

The agitation for an advance in the wages of sheeting weavers employed at Oldham, England, has resulted in an increase of 5 per cent being conceded.

Even at the increased rate of wages, it is not easy to get spinners and weavers enough to fill the orders they might get.

The union bakers of Chicago succeeded in establishing a new wage scale in every shop but one in that city. They received a flat increase of \$1 per week over the old scale.

The anti-sweating committee, appointed by the Sydney (N. S. W.) labor council promises to make astounding revelations regarding the sweating tactics of some Sydney employers.

The earliest mention of a strike fund occurred in the strike of the Parisian stocking weavers, in 1724, when a crown day was subscribed for every striker, and all blacklegs were boycotted.

The Patternmakers' Association of San Francisco has returned to outside associations that contributed to their aid after the earthquake 43 per cent of the fund sent in. It was not needed.

The Retail Clerks' International Association will begin the payment of sick benefits to members who have been in continuous good standing upon the books for a period of two months or more.

In Bombay (India) cotton mills an average worker, laboring thirteen hours a day, earns about 32 cents a day, that is in mills equipped with the best modern machinery and built in the most approved style.

The average wages of American workmen is double that of the English and nearly treble that of the German workmen, according to statistics published by the Department of Labor, covering the year 1903.

The Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America has decided to establish a mutual benefit department. A mortuary fund will be maintained similar to those of the railroad brotherhood, from which death claims will be paid.

The New York Electric Club is the social end of the New York Electrical Workers' Union. Its avowed object is to cultivate and elevate the social condition of the organization. The club has at present a membership of 450.

There is a great scarcity of unskilled laborers at the iron and steel making centers of Pennsylvania, \$2 a day being the wages paid. Thousands of men can find work with good pay all through the West, where mining and railroad building are in progress.

After a struggle lasting nine months and five days the strike of the maintenance of way employees of the Denver and Rio Grande railway in Colorado and New Mexico has ended. The officials of the road have conceded the full rate of pay for foremen that had been demanded by the committee representing the strikers.

The other day the gold beaters quit work at every Boston shop in response to the national decision to establish an increase in wages from 7 to 8 cents per week for piece work and from \$18 to \$21 a week for week workers, also to bring the foremen into the union, and to eliminate what is called the "outside shop."

In a resume of the work of the past two years, made in view of the approaching biennial convention, which will be held at Niagara Falls Sept. 17, W. D. Huber, general president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters, says that while there were many strikes and some lockouts, almost all were settled successfully and satisfactorily to the men involved. During the past three months 62 new charters were granted, and 378 in all were added during the past two years.

Progress, a labor organ, says in its last issue that trade unionism is doing more to Americanize the immigrant than anything else, not excepting the churches, and backs up the assertion by attributing the statement to the commissioner of labor. Discussing the matter, Progress says that it is due to trade unionism that the immigrant so soon learns the nature of the American government, because as soon as he becomes a member of a union he feels that the term government in the United States is not synonymous with oppression, as it is in many of the countries of the old world. The trade union draws him out of the clannish spirit which heretofore not even his religion has been able to overcome. The article closes by saying that the labor union man soon comes to realize that the best available means to save the body and better conditions is through the means of the union.

The United Cloth Hat and Cap Makers of America have placed a per capita tax of 10 cents per year for support of the anti-trust fund, conducted by the organization of Denver for the benefit of its members. The same organization has declared for international socialism.

The McGuire memorial fund for the benefit of the family of the late P. J. McGuire which is being raised by voluntary subscriptions among the members of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners has reached \$3,755.91. The fund for the relief of California sufferers by this organization aggregates \$15,843.75.

Pile drivers and dock builders of Cleveland, Ohio, have affiliated with the United Trades and Labor Council. They are asking for the nine-hour day at present wages, and indications point to success.

A decision of great interest and importance to laboring men was recently secured by the Boston Bartenders' Union. It established the organization in its contention that a suspended member has no right to longer continue to wear the button of the union. The man against whom the test case was brought was fined \$10 and informed that he had no right to wear the token unless he was a member in good standing.

HAY FEVER

"Having used Perkins for years and have found it to be the best remedy for hay fever, I can recommend it to all who are suffering with the above diseases. I am happy to be able to say it has helped me wonderfully."
—Mayne E. Smith.



MISS MAYNE SMITH.

HAY FEVER is endemic catarrh. It is caused by some irritating substance in the atmosphere during the late summer months. It is generally thought that the pollen of certain weeds and flowers is the cause of it.

Change of locality seems to be the only rational cure. The use of Perkins, however, stimulates the nervous system to resist the effect of the poisonous emanations and sometimes carries the victim through the hay fever season without an attack of the disease.

A large number of people rely upon Perkins for this purpose. Those who do not find it convenient to change their location to avoid Hay Fever, would do well to give Perkins a trial. It has proven of priceless value to many people.

STORY OF "LUCKY" BALDWIN.

How He Got His Start in the Early Days of California.

In 1833, or more than a half century ago, a little party of gold seekers with a meager outfit of horses and wagons started for California from the village of Racine, Wis., says Outing. In command of this adventurous expedition was a young man who took with him his wife and infant daughter. His name was E. J. Baldwin, and he made a wise choice in shaking from his restless feet the dust of a tamer civilization. He needed a larger theater of action for his pent-up and surging activities. While trailing through the mountains of Utah the pioneers were attacked by Indians, who were beaten off during a six-hour fight in which young Baldwin killed his chief. After six months of hardship, the party reached Hangtown (later called Placerville) in California.

Here Baldwin married and began placer mining. He appears to have been no more than an ordinary red-shirted argonaut, meeting the ups and downs of mining luck, until the discovery of the Comstock lode at Virginia City. Thither he drifted and discovered that his natural bent was gambling with the mines that other men had opened. Amid a whirlwind of speculation, he fought his way with such success that he loomed from the smoke in a few months as "Lucky" Baldwin, the man who had cleaned up \$7,500,000 in the gigantic deals in the stock of the Ophir mines.

San Francisco was the mecca of those lucky sons of fortune who were rearing a great city by the Golden Gate. As a stock and mining speculator, "Lucky" Baldwin shone resplendent, but he was also a loyal son of San Francisco. He built hotels and theaters and business blocks, even while he was amassing that far from conservative community by madly frenzied extravagances.

In a very lucid interval he bought all the Spanish grants he could find near Los Angeles and there spent a million in making this ranch of his not only a splendidly productive property, but also one of the most beautiful estates ever laid out in this or any other country. It was his hobby, his pet, and he planted miles of avenues with noble shade trees, and made wonderful tropical gardens, so that to-day his home is surrounded by a paradise of vermal beauty.

HOW MANY OF US?

Fall to Select Food Nature Demands to Ward Off Ailments.

A Kentucky lady, speaking about food, says: "I was accustomed to eating all kinds of ordinary food until, for some reason indigestion and nervous prostration set in."

"After I had run down seriously my attention was called to the necessity of some change in my diet, and I discontinued my ordinary breakfast and began using Grape-Nuts with a good quantity of rich cream."

"In a few days my condition changed in a remarkable way, and I began to have a strength that I had never before possessed of before, a vigor of body and a peace of mind that amazed me."

"It was entirely new in my experience. My former attacks of indigestion had been accompanied by heat flashes, and many times my condition was distressing with blind spells of dizziness, rush of blood to the head and neuralgic pains in the chest."

"Since using Grape-Nuts alone for breakfast I have been free from these troubles, except at times when I have indulged in rich, greasy foods in quantity, then I would be warned by a pain under the left shoulder blade, and unless I heeded the warning the old trouble would come back, but when I finally got to know where these troubles originated I returned to my Grape-Nuts and cream and the pain and disturbance left very quickly."

"I am now in prime health as a result of my use of Grape-Nuts." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

ALL That Was Coming.

Theresa was a maid of unusually mulish disposition. She belonged to Jean Turcotte, a Frenchman possessed of a truly remarkable fund of patience; but he needed it all, for Theresa was not only a beast of burden, but a burdensome beast.

If Turcotte wished to go up-hill, Theresa invariably felt impelled to go down. If Turcotte yearned to ride in the shade, nothing but sunshine would do for Theresa. If the Frenchman expressed a wish to go forward, the maid was immediately seized with a desire to "crawl" in the opposite direction. Yet Turcotte bore with her for six long years.

Finally, however, Theresa, balking at a time when she was weighted down with two bags of lime, backed off the dock into deep water, and forever vanished from sight.

"Theresa Turcotte," breathed the Frenchman, fervently, as he leaned over the edge of the wharf to shake his fist at the rising bubbles, "I hope for once that you got your moss' complete satisfy."

A Cautious Sentinel.

It was the small brother of pretty Margaret who opened the front door in response to Mr. Goodyear's ring, and his face took on a singularly alert expression as he surveyed the caller.

"No, she isn't in," said Margaret's brother. "Are—are you Mr. Hamilton?"

"No," said the young man, "I am Mr. Goodyear. Does that make any difference about her being at home?" and he looked searchingly at the boy.

"Course not!" said Bobby, indignantly. "I don't tell stories, nor Margaret doesn't. But if you'd been Mr. Hamilton, I was to tell something about her coming home, and get ten cents if I did it right and didn't tell the wrong one. I need that money, and so, you see, I didn't want to make any mistake. Good-by!"

As a Safety Valve.

The occupant of the top third room on the top floor was expressing his sentiments fluently and explosively through the telephone.

"Here!" cut in the girl at the switchboard. "I don't want to hear such talk as that!"

"Then don't!" yelled the other. "I'm talking to the janitor!"

SICK FOR TEN YEARS.

Constant Backache, Dropsy and Stomach Trouble.

Fred W. Harris, of Chestnut St. Jefferson, Ohio, says: "For over ten years I suffered from kidney disease. The third year my feet and hands would swell and remain puffed up for days at a time. I seemed to have a constant backache. Finally I got so bad that I was laid up in bed with several doctors in attendance. I thought surely I would die."

I changed medicine and began using Doan's Kidney Pills when I was still in bed. The relief I found was so great that I kept on until I had taken about ten boxes. The kidney secretions became natural and after years of misery I was cured. I have increased in weight, and show no symptoms of my former trouble."

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Making Sure of One Thing.

Minotory had written the first two words of his history of England.

"There," he said, looking at them, "I purpose" will distinguish this work from any history Minotory has ever written. I purpose to turn out. He'd write it "I propose."

Inwardly chuckling at the cleverness with which he had shown the marked superiority of his style over that of his rival, even at the beginning of his great work, he wrote several more words without stopping.—Chicago Tribune.

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Many women suffer in silence and drift along from bad to worse, knowing full well that they ought to have immediate assistance, but a natural modesty impels them to shrink from exposing themselves to the questions and probable examinations of even their family physician. It is unnecessary. Without money or price you can consult a woman whose knowledge from actual experience is great.

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Following we publish two letters from a woman who accepted this invitation. Note the result:

First letter.
Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—For eight years I have suffered something terrible every month. The pains are excruciating and I can hardly stand them. My doctor says I have a severe female trouble, and I must go through an operation if I want to get well. I don't want to submit to it if I can possibly help it. Please tell me what to do. I hope you can relieve me. Mrs. Mary Dimmick, 50th and E. Capitol Streets, Washington, D. C.

Second letter.
Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—After following carefully your advice, and taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, I am very anxious to send you my testimonial, that others may know their value and what you have done for me.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, SEP. 13.

Republican State Ticket.

For Governor—Fred M. Warner.
For Lieutenant Governor—Patrick H. Kelly.
For Secretary of State—George A. Prescott.
For State Treasurer—Frank H. Glazier.
For Auditor General—James B. Bradley.
For State Land Commissioner—William H. Rose.
For Attorney General—John E. Bird.
For Member State Board of Education—Dexter M. Ferry.

Democratic State Ticket.

For Governor—Chas. H. Kimmerle, Cassopolis.
For Secretary of State—P. J. Devine, Stanton.
For State Treasurer—Charles Wellman, Port Huron.
For Attorney General—Judge E. J. Doyle, Grand Rapids.
For Superintendent of Public Instruction—Elmer R. Webster, Pontiac.
For Auditor General—John Yuill, Vanderbilt.
For State Land Commissioner—C. L. Sheldon, Bay City.
For State Board Education—James E. Sullivan, Muskegon.

The charge has been made that cows, pianos, and other like objects, have been sent through the mails by the use of government franks. A new postal regulation looking to the abolishment of the evil is likely to be the out come of the abuse of a privilege which the government has generously given to certain of its officers.

The Pension Office has just been examining the application for a pension of the "youngest veteran" of the Civil War. There have been numbers of "youngest veterans," but if there is any veteran who is younger than Lyndon D. Howe, of Sreator, Ill., now is the time to speak up. Mr. Howe enlisted June 5, 1861, and he was just ten years, nine months, and eight days old at the time.

The defalcation of Major Geo. A. Bartlett, disbursing officer of the Treasury Department, for \$19,000, was a surprise to everyone. For nearly a year before his death, he had tried, by means of his iron will to hold on to the thread of life, in a vain endeavor to make good his shortage. He tottered down to the office when he was almost too sick to recall the combination of the safe, and worked with the strength of despair to save his good name. But death was merciless, and the aged custodian of Uncle Sam's strong box went to his grave, a defaulter.

The War Department has given orders to the authorities at Manila to keep the department informed daily of the spread and development of the Cholera in the Philippines. The disease is of the most virulent type. Men who are in the best of health and walking the streets one hour, are in the death agonies the next. The ignorant natives pay no attention to the warnings not to eat uncooked fruit and vegetables, although they are almost panic stricken over the ravages of the disease.

It is seldom that one refuses a sum of \$50,000 which could be had for the asking, but that is what Mrs. Mary Labaree has done. She is a missionary at Urumia, Persia. Her husband, Rev. Benjamin W. Labaree, was killed by religious fanatics, and the United States Government demanded an indemnity of \$50,000 of the Persian Government, which the latter was about to pay. Mrs. Labaree, however, feared that when the people in her district heard of it they would make life a burden for the missionaries, and render her efforts as a missionary fruitless. So she decided to ask the Department of State to withdraw its demand.

Michigan will share in the wonderful crop yield which the United States promises now to supply to the world's deficiency, unless very untoward conditions should prevail hereafter. The crop report of the secretary of state for July makes an unfavorable report for wheat, with an estimated average yield of only thirteen bushels; but for most crops not only large acreage, but high average condition is shown. The very important bean crop is given a rating of ninety-two to ninety-six percent in the southern, central and northern sections, with acreage reaching one hundred eleven in the central, compared with the average of the last five years. Potatoes are given a very high average condition, ninety-seven in the northern counties and ninety-four in the state at large. Sugar beets are rated about as high. Corn is given a rating of ninety-three in the central counties, in spite of excessive wet and deficient heat in June, and hay is rated in the highest; but the fruit crop was less favorable, ranging from fifty to ninety percent.

Miss Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of the President, had a narrow escape on her sixteenth birthday. She was out horseback riding near Sagamore Hill, when suddenly an automobile, which had been hidden by a clump of trees, dashed by. A part of the machine grazing the horse's head caught the bridle and in an instant had ripped it off the head of the frightened animal. Miss Roosevelt held tightly to the neck of the galloping horse, and succeeded in bringing it to a walk. Miss Roosevelt does not know who the occupants of the auto were.

The history of the seal is interestingly told in a pamphlet recently issued by Mrs. Marie B. Ferrey, of the pioneer and historical society museum. General Cass was its designer, and he presented it to the constitutional convention in 1835, where it was accepted as the seal of the new state. The general features were apparently suggested by that of the Hudson Bay Company, where the supporting moose and elk, or two elk, appeared, with beavers on the shield, some other fur-bearing animal above, in place of the eagle, and the scroll motto. "Pro Pelle Cutem"—Skin for Skin—which forms part of Satan's cynical rejoinder of the Lord of Job. In place of that Satanical legend, Gen. Cass found a suggestion in St. Paul's cathedral, London, in the inscription to its illustrious architect Sir Christopher Wren. "If you wish for his monument, look about you." The seal of Michigan Territory contained a shield supported by two eagles, with a tree in the shield, and the motto, "Tandem Fit Surculus Arbor"—At last the shoot becomes a tree. Earlier than that was the seal of the Territory Northwest of the River Ohio, representing a river and boat, and the prostrate trunk of a tree beside an apple tree loaded with fruit, and the motto, "Melliorum Lapsa Locavit"—The fallen has made room for a better.

Concerning Wagon Prices

Dealers who will place their orders for farm wagons this month will pay higher prices than those who bought in July, for the reason that there has been another advance ordered by the manufacturers. In some cases the advance went into effect August 1. Jobbers of some makes have been instructed to raise the price on the 10th and still others on the 20th. This makes three advances within a year on some makes of wagons, particularly the old, best known brands, and several advances within the past four years.

There has been a good deal of complaint among the dealers about the advance in wagons, and some have claimed that the advances have been made arbitrarily by the manufacturers for the sole purpose of "holding the dealers up" for more money because times were good. Facts, however, do not bear out this assertion. Everyone who reads and who has kept at all posted, knows that in the past few years there has been a great advance in the cost of the raw materials entering into the construction of wagons, and also a general advance in the cost of labor. As to the cause of these advances in material and labor, some of them may be legitimate and some not; but the fact remains that the manufacturers have been compelled to pay the advance.

One thing is claimed by the manufacturers, and we believe it is true, and that is that the advances in price to the dealers have not been proportion to the advance in cost of manufacturers have absorbed a portion of the advance.

Coming on down to the dealers, very few dealers have advanced their prices to the farmers; they have absorbed the advance, with the result that there is no profit worth speaking about in handling any of the standard high grade wagons at the price generally charged by retailers today.

The time has come when dealers must advance their prices on farm wagons. Many say they can't do it, that they can't get over \$70 for a wagon. A few years ago, when wagons were the lowest ever known, and the usual retail price on standard wagons was \$60, dealers said then that they couldn't get more than \$60 for a farm wagon, but when materials advanced so that the wagons cost them \$80 they had to advance the price; and that is what they are "up against" at the present time.

Of course farmers complain when asked to pay a higher price for anything than they have been in the habit of paying. That is only natural; yet when the conditions of the market justify a sharp advance in the price of wheat, corn or livestock, there are no farmers who are willing to sell at lower than the market price. There are many dealers in the West today who can remember when farm wagons cost them from \$70 to \$90 each in car lots, and they sold them to the farmers at from \$85 to \$125. The farmers were not in as good financial condition in those days as they are at the present time, by any means, and when they had to borrow money they paid from 12 percent to 24 percent interest. Compared with other farm machinery, wagons are not high. A farmer pays \$125 for a binder, which he uses perhaps two weeks in the year and seldom for more than five or six years; whereas he uses his wagon almost every day, and a first-class farm wagon lasts from ten to twenty years without repairs. It is generally conceded that farm wagons will never be any cheaper than they are at the present time. From the Weekly Improvement Trade Journal, Kansas City.

Additional Local News.

Several of our old soldier boys went to Pionconing yesterday to the reunion.

Rev. A. C. Kildegaard is welcomed home again with his bride and regular service will be resumed in his church.

H. Head of South Branch was in town yesterday and reports 16 loads of clover from his two and a half acre field as large as three men could put on the wagon. He claims the champion piece in the county, and we think he may be right. He went down to the Soldiers reunion at Pionconing in the afternoon.

Last year the Department of Agriculture sent out 35,773,400 packets of flower and vegetable seeds. The amount of seed required to fill these packets would fill twenty-eight cars of 30,000 pounds each. The work of packaging the seeds is done by contract. The contractor is paid at a flat rate for so many thousand packets. Most of the work is done by machines and about seventy-five men and women are employed.

Proceedings of the Common Council.

[OFFICIAL.]

Grayling, Sept. 10, 1906.

Special meeting of the Common Council convened at the Opera House, J. F. Hum, President in the chair. Present: Trustees Connine, Petersen, Amidon and McCullough. Absent: Trustees Michelson and Brink.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Moved and supported that the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and orders drawn for the several amounts. Motion Carried.

REPORT.

To the President and Trustees of the Common Council, village of Grayling:

Your Finance Committee would recommend that the following bills be allowed as follows:

	Ci'm'd.	Alld.
1. Ed Wainright labor	\$11.50	\$11.50
2. T. Wass ref'd p. tax	1.00	1.00
3. G. Langevin t'm w.	9.00	9.00
4. do do	7.47	7.47
5. Grayling Electric Co., May service	57.28	57.28
6. do July service	36.01	36.01
7. do Aug. service	60.32	60.32
8. E. Brown labor police	3.00	3.00
9. Howland, rebate	25.87	25.87
10. A. Stillwell team w'k	8.00	8.00
11. M. Dupree, labor on at	3.07	3.07
12. W. Topham do	5.25	5.25
13. Ed Wainright do	8.25	8.25
14. O. P. Hanson do	22.27	22.27
15. C. P. Robinson do	38.50	38.50
16. C. Howland, rebate	8.12	8.12
17. do do	32.01	32.01
18. do do	56.50	56.50
19. do do	6.75	6.75
20. do do	5.06	5.06
21. L. Fournier do	9.18	9.18

[Signed] R. D. CONNINE, C. O. McCULLOUGH, H. PETERSON, Finance Committee.

The resignation of W. F. Brink as trustee was read and placed on file. Moved and supported that the resignation of Trustee Brink be accepted. Motion carried.

Communication of R. P. Forbes read and placed on file. Moved and supported, that we adjourn. Motion prevailed.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

Proceedings of the Village Board of Health.

Grayling, Sept. 10, 1906.

Special meeting of the Village Board of Health convened at the Opera House, J. F. Hum, President in the chair. Present: Trustees Connine, Amidon, McCullough and Petersen. Absent: Trustee Michelson.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Moved and supported, that the resignation of Thomas Nolan as Village Health Officer be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the bills be allowed as read and orders drawn for the several amounts. Motion carried.

NAME	Ci'm'd.	Alld.
1. Thomas Nolan	\$1.54	\$1.54
2. A. Kraus	6.15	6.15
3. S. N. Inslay	2.00	2.00
4. do	3.00	3.00

Moved and supported, that we adjourn. Motion carried.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

Coming.

Millinery! Millinery! Millinery!!! The new store, with new stock, and new fashions.

Mrs. J. W. Moss with a complete line of fall and winter millinery will open up business in the Woodworth building on or about Monday 24th. Watch paper for exact date.

M. E. Church.

Sunday, Sept. 1, 1906.
10:30 a. m. Preaching.
Sunday School after morning service.
4 p. m. Junior League. It is hoped all the Juniors will be present.
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 p. m. Last Sermon of Pastor Thompson in Grayling.
7:30 Thursday evening prayer and praise services.
You are all invited to these services.

Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, Sept. 16th.
10:30 a. m. Preaching. Subject—"Mission of the Christ."
11:30 a. m. Sabbath School.
6 p. m. C. E. Meeting.
7 p. m. Preaching.
7 Wednesday evening, midweek prayer meeting.
You are very cordially invited to be present at all these services.

Judge Hunt.

Mrs. Underhill returned from the East Saturday. The Dr. is expected this week.

Thomas Wainright spent the past week at Detroit.

Miss Margaret Husted commenced a nine months term of school here Monday, the 10th.

At the Primary Election last Tuesday, the 4, no interest was shown, and only 11 votes polled for Representative in congress. Loud no opposition, Double received 5 votes and Mitchell six.

The farmers are busy gathering their buckwheat and seeding.

DAN.

Beaver Creek Items.

The Old Peoples dinner at Henry Moon's was a grand success. Dinner was served under a large tent in yard. The next meeting will be at the home of H. Christenson.

Axel and Bernhardt Christenson and George Stapleton returned from the U. P. last week.

The dance at H. G. Benedict's last Saturday night was well attended and report a fine time.

Maplewood Arbor A. O. O. G. will give an ice cream social and dance at the home of W. Stewart Thursday evening, Sept. 20th. All are cordially invited to come and help make it a success.

W. Stewart had the misfortune to lose his best horse one day last week.

Mrs. Maude Belmont has rejoined her husband at Escanaba.

UNCLE IKE.

Cheney Correspondence.

Mr. Robert Young, and John Phillips, of Coal City Illinois, is visiting at the home of the formers daughter, Mrs. D. Martin. Mr. Phillips is looking around with a view to locating in our county.

Arrangements are under way to have our friend, Rev. Peters give a lecture at our school house in the near future. We expect to be able to announce the exact date next week. A course of pleasant entertainments is being planned for the coming winter months. And with the assistance and co-operation of our neighbors and friends. We expect that Cheney will do her part in brightening and shortening the long winter nights. Keep your eye on Cheney.

Washington, which has a good share of the colored people to begin with (about one-third of the population), will have about fifteen hundred more, the first week in August, when the Negro Educational Congress holds its convention here. Booker T. Washington, William T. Vernon, the new Registrar of the Treasury, and other prominent colored men will take prominent parts in the meeting.

The business of the government had to wait the other day when the President's private secretary, Mr. Loeb, came over to Sagamore Hill with a big bundle of documents, preparatory to discussing them with the President. He found Mr. Roosevelt in the hay field with the hired man, working like mad to get the hay in before the rain, which was threatening, should come. The President pitched up, and the hired man stowed the load. They got the last load into the barn when the shower broke.

Notice for Publication.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Land Office at Marquette, Mich. Sept. 26, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the Circuit Court at Grayling, Mich., on Oct. 23rd, 1906, viz:

Homestead entry No. 9,981 of Peter W. Stephan, for the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 32, Tp. 27 N. R. 2 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Stephan, Stephan, Reuben Sidney Henry, Ernest Babbit and Hugo Schreiber all of Grayling, Mich.

THOMAS SCADDEN, Register.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that at the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Wexford, application will be made by the undersigned for leave to construct and maintain a dam across the Manistee river, for the purpose of obtaining power to operate an electric light and power plant. Said dam to be located on or near the section line between sections one and twelve of Town Twenty-four North of Range Ten West, at some point on the East half of the South-west Quarter of Section one and the East half of the North-west Quarter of Section Twelve, or at point where the river crosses the West half of the North-west Quarter of said Section Twelve. Said dam not to exceed forty (40) feet in height and to be constructed of wood, earth, stone, cement and other proper material, and to be provided with a suitable fish ladder, chute, and apron for the passage of logs and timber, but shall not be provided with a lock. Dated this 10th day of September, A. D. 1906.

ELECTRIC LAND & DEVELOPMENT CO. By WM. H. UMLOR, Secretary.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, SEP. 13

Local and Neighborhood News.

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The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year IN ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A following of your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Hand painted China, at Hathaway's.

Scientific watch repairing, at Hathaway's.

It will pay you to read Hathaway's ads. Just try it and see.

The best and cheapest line of school supplies at Fournier's Drug Store.

Mr. Henry Funk is making extensive repairs on his house on the hill.

Rings of all descriptions sizes and shapes at Andrew Peterson's jewelry store.

Mrs. Johnson and daughter Matilda are enjoying a visit in Calumet and Houghton.

Fine Sterling Souvenir spoons can be had at A. Peterson's Jewelry Store.

Miss Weyeneth, our teacher, made a pleasant weeks visit at the home of L. B. Merrill.

The dealers have some new souvenir postal cards, bearing neat views of Portage Lake.

Fournier's Drug Store is head quarters for School Supplies of every description, and prices are right.

Mrs. Henry Trumley went to Lewistown Saturday to spend Sunday with her daughter.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A light steel Buckeye mower, nearly new. Enquire at this office. Easy terms.

Get your jewelry work and watch repairing done at A. Peterson's jewelry store.

The Bride's choice now a days is a handsome piece of cut glass, get it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

By all means, get the best for the money. You'll find it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVALANCHE office.

FOR SALE—The furniture and good-will of the Burton House Restaurant and hotel. Enquire or address Chas. Kline Prop., at Burton House.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Fournier have gone to Notre Dame, Indiana, where Arthur enters school and will return via Detroit for a vacation and visit.

Stop just a moment! I want to call your attention to my latest assortment of Souvenir spoons. Call in and see them.

ANDREW PETERSON.

The Crawford County Farmers' Telephone is now working finely in connection with Rosecommon, and with most of the farmers homes between the two villages.

NOTICE—Mrs. Hill has opened millinery parlors opposite the Methodist church and solicits the patronage of the ladies of Grayling and vicinity. Special price for the next 10 days.

WANTED—Girl or middle aged woman for general house work, no laundry to do. Wages \$3.50 to \$4.50 per week. Apply P. O. Box 326, Grayling.

FOR SALE—A sweep mill, as good as new, for one or two horses. Grinds corn and cob, and all kinds of grain into feed. Cheap for cash or will take a couple of weaned calves or some pigs in exchange. P. Aebi, Grayling.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Two good milch cows, will give milk all winter. Will sell them, if taken at once, for twenty-five dollars apiece.

JOHN JOHNSON.

Miss Goldie Pond gave an unique party Tuesday evening in honor of her Aunt, Mrs. T. P. Junkin of Detroit. Twenty-six of her school chums were present, and to call it a jolly social occasion would be mild, and the elder people seemed to fully enjoy it all.

The "Free Guitar" offer at our store will terminate October 25th and no tickets will be accepted on the offer after that date. Get to the \$100 mark by that time, and secure a guitar free.

SALLING HANSON & CO.

For Sale or Trade—McCormick self-binder, in good repair; cut all my grain with it this year. Wish to get a larger machine. Will sell on favorable terms or will trade for cows and heifers. W. A. Montgomery, Wellington Mich.

WANTED—To trade two fine steers, 3 and 4 years old, weight about 3400, also good heavy yearling bull and good driving mare, for good work team and harness. Have several head of 1, 2 & 3 year old stock for sale or trade, all fat. Call on or address Thos. Wakeley, Box 72, Grayling, Mich.

The big well is down 500 feet. It passes through over 400 feet of sand, then through a layer of black shale or slate, then through a layer of pure gypsum and is now in slate which is expected to be from 1000 to 1500 feet thick. The sand was hardest to overcome, but after the slate we shall soon know what we will find.

A safe investment. See Sorenson's ad.

E. Purchase bought a new team and carriage last week.

Make haste while these offers last. See Sorenson's ad.

Mrs. Lee Winslow has been enjoying a visit from her father, from Colorado for some days past.

Miss Edith Chamberlain began a term of school in the Wakely-Pym district, down the river, last Monday.

FOR SALE—Three heating stoves for coal or wood. Will be sold cheap. Enquire at

NEW RUSSEL HOTEL.

W. Stewart of Beaver Creek, and an unpleasant piece of luck last week, in the losing of the best horse out of his team.

Lars Nelson got an ankle jambed between the carriage and a log in the big mill last week, so that he has been forced to take a vacation.

O. B. Shook has gone to Illinois on a business trip, but will probably be home next week. He is so seldom out of town, that it is a surprise to his friends.

Ed. and Lew McCallummore are erecting a fine commodious residence for Mr. Van Gilkey, an engineer on the M. C. Road, on Park street, just off from Michigan Avenue, east.

Scandinavian—English Dance at the Opera House, Saturday evening, Sept. 15th. A general invitation is extended. Music by Clark's orchestra. Tickets 50 cents.

A conundrum, easily answered by a number of our citizens. "Who stole and ate the chickens, intended for the wedding feast. It was a disgraceful act, and far from being a cunning trick.

Miss Katie Bates left Monday for Alma College, where she will continue her course of study, from the time of her graduation from our high school. She will be missed by our young people.

Friday after noon and evening the Epworth League will hold a fair at the W. R. C. Hall. Everybody come and bring your pocket books. Supper will be served from 5 to 8. Price 15c. All the good things imaginable and only 15 cents.

C. W. Amidon completed his cement job at Portage last week, in the building of a fine dock, and a slip for boats 180 feet in length. Besides that, he took the steamer and pulled a lot of dangerous deadheads which were sunk when the lake was full of logs.

A. E. Newman and family have been having a jolly time for the past week, by the presence of their oldest daughter and her husband, Eugene Baker, and the children from Jackson Co., and the second daughter, Mrs. Mary Holbrook, with the children, from Mackinaw City. The whole party went to Portage last Saturday and had a most enjoyable picnic day.

The supreme court recently handed down a decision relative to the age provision in the compulsory school attendance law. The ruling is that children can be compelled to attend school until they are 15 years old, not past that age; that is, a child can not be compelled to attend school after the day he is fifteen years old. Otherwise the law stands as printed.

Winona Lake, Ind., Sept. 5.—This was college day at the students' conference of the Young Women's Christian Association. Fully 1,000 college girls from various states participated in the exercises while fully as many more watched the proceedings from the hillside. The girls were all in cap and gown. The girls from Michigan, 200 strong, captured first prize. Other states represented were Ohio, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Did you ever count the words in a column of a newspaper? There are over a thousand words in a column. Suppose you sit down and write one thousand words on one subject and another thousand and another until you have written about fifteen thousand words. Try it and see if it is right easy. Keep that gait up for a month. Then chase a local item all over town and after you have secured the facts all right, condense them in a few lines—an hour's work that can be read in a few seconds. Do this for a dozen items that seem insignificant after they are printed, but which you know are important, then have the items criticized and inaccuracies pointed out to you when it is too late to correct them. Oh yes, it is dead easy to conduct a newspaper.

Andrew Obrinski, a Polock, who has been at work in a lumber camp about five miles northwest of the village, in Frederic township, filled up on whiskey last Sunday, and went to Sand Lake, near the camp, where two of his country men were fishing. They had reached the shore and were dressing their catch, when Obrinski arrived and took the boat for a little ride. After getting away from shore he began rocking the boat and was warned by his companions from the shore, but gave them no heed, until he lost his balance, and fell backward into the water. None of the party could swim and before help arrived he had sunk for the last time. Grappling hooks were produced and the body recovered. Coroner O'Neil decided no inquest was required, and the body was taken in charge by the County for burial, as he had neither friends or money. "Rattle his bones, over the stones, He's only a pauper, whom nobody owns." Another victim of the accursed bowl, and a warning for young men.

Circuit Court.

Judge Sharpe and Stenographer Austin were on hand Monday for the opening of the September term of our Circuit Court. There were three criminal cases and six chancery, on the Calendar.

The People vs John Larson was dismissed for statutory reasons. In the case of The People vs Wm. Callahan, Violation of the Liquor Law, an order was entered that the prosecutor be not required to file an information, as the sheriff had been unable to get service of subpoenas on required witnesses, wherefore trial could not be had.

This left but one jury case for trial, The People vs John Balf, placing impediments on R. R. track. The following jury was drawn: S. B. Brott, F. R. Deckrow, H. Buck, P. Moran, J. L. Royce, Geo. S. Collen, John Leece, S. W. Carrier, J. C. Karies, H. Schreiber Jr., F. Kile and O. B. Scott, who returned a verdict of Guilty, and the Court pronounced a sentence of one to five years in the State Prison at Marquette, recommending the time to be served, at two years.

The following decrees of divorce were granted: Clara O'comb vs Chas. W. O'comb, non support; Samuel Cole vs Jennie Cole, desertion; and S. B. Brott vs Lydia M. Brott, desertion.

The case of Alice Scott vs Henry J. Scott was heard and submitted. Five men were admitted to full citizenship.

Dr. O'Neil of Frederic was in town Saturday, and found time to drop into the Sanatorium long enough to say "How Dy" and "Good Bye"

The mistaken idea that the body of the man drowned in Sand Lake, could not be taken from the water until the arrival and order of the Coroner, caused considerable excitement, as it was about twenty hours before that officer arrived. There is no such law, and such ignorance is lamentable, though it is very common.

Mr. B. Hehle of Monroe has been in town this week, looking over the ground, with the idea of erecting a flouring mill. He is recommended as being a thoroughly practical man in that line, and perfectly responsible. His proposition is to erect a mill of at least sixty barrels capacity, he to furnish one half the capital needed, and asks that the balance be raised here. He offers to guarantee at least ten per cent profit the first year and will take an option to buy all stock if it fails to pay that amount. It is a good proposition and should be investigated, for we want the mill.

MARRIED—At the residence of the Brides father, Albert Kraus, of this village, Tuesday Sept. 11, Miss Francis Kraus and Manuel B. Weinberg, Rabbi Dr. Farber of Detroit officiating. The spacious rooms of the home were filled with guests, the friends of the bride, who has been one of the favorites of our village. At eight o'clock, the hum of conversation was stilled by the grand strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, executed by Arthur Fournier, and the ribbon bearers, Master Robert Roblin and Miss Elisabeth Langevin entered, followed by the sisters of the bride, Misses Gusta and Hattie bearing the flowers and ring. Miss Esther Kraus as maid of honor, escorted by Samuel Weinberg as best man, and the brides maids, Miss Margaret Fajling of Grayling and Miss Rae Levy of Detroit, escorted by the brothers of the bride, Messrs Joseph and Emil Kraus. The bride and groom were escorted by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kraus, and Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Weinberg, of Saginaw, and given their place beneath a magnificent bell of Ferns, Carnations and Easter Lillies. The room, festooned with smilax, the bride dressed in white Silk Celine and the groom, in the conventional black made a pleasant picture for the expectant throng, as Rabbi Dr. Farber proceeded with the impressive ring ceremony of the church in which the bride was given away by her father and mother. The hearty congratulations which followed proved the popularity of the bride and the good wishes of our people. The wedding supper was served and enjoyed, for it was elegant in every appointment. The happy pair left on the midnight train for a brief tour and will be "At Home" in Saginaw after October 1st. Among the out of town guests we notice Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Weinberg of Saginaw; Mr. and Mrs. L. Himelhoch and daughter of Beaver; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cohn of Romeo; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weinberg of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Weinberg of Cassopolis; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kramer of Gaylord; Mr. and Mrs. C. Goldstein and son of Saginaw; Miss Rae Levy of Detroit; Rabbi Dr. Farber of Detroit; Mrs. J. Bone of Lansing; Miss Florence Marienthal of Bay City; and Mr. G. Kraus of Detroit. The brief address of Dr. Farber after the ceremony was eloquent and enjoyable. The wedding presents numerous and elegant, and seventy-five telegrams of congratulations, received made a pleasant surprise.

The Breath of Life.

It's a significant fact that the strongest animal of its size, the gorilla, also has the largest lungs. Powerful lungs means powerful creatures. How to keep the breathing organs right should be man's chief study. Like thousands of others, Mrs. Ora A. Stephens, of Port Williams, O., has learned how to do this. She writes: "Three bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery stopped my cough of two years and cured me of what my friends thought consumption. O, it's grand for throat and lung troubles." Guaranteed by L. Fournier, druggist. Price 50¢ and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.



Is quickly prepared for the table, and best of all, everybody likes it. Served with eggs, it makes a fine breakfast dish. It can be used in many other ways also. We recommend it to you.

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All kinds of Shoes, at Low Prices.
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Notice.

Parties desiring the services of the Probate Court, "Intestates," can secure them by calling at J. C. Failing's, Beaver Creek, or addressing L. E. BARNABY, Grayling, Mich.

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says Sam. Kendall, of Phillipsburg, Kan., "Just cover it over with Bucklen's Arnica Salve and the Salve will do the rest." Quickest cure for Burns, Boils, Sores, Scalds, Wounds, Piles, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Chapped Hands, Sore Feet and Sore Eyes. Only 25¢ at L. Fournier's drug store. Guaranteed.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the third day of September A. D. 1906. Present Hon. Wellington Batterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Mercey Burton, deceased.

James H. Burton, having filed in said court his petition that a certain instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court, be admitted to Probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to W. C. Johnson, or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered that the first day of October A. D. 1906, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered that, public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Crawford Avalanche a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTERSON,
Judge of Probate.

Farmer's Picnic.

The Crawford County Farmers Association will be held at their grounds two miles northwest of Cheney, on Thursday, the 13th day of September. Everybody is invited to come and help us to have a good time. Everything in the power of the Association will be done to make the occasion an enjoyable one.

Bring samples of your produce and something for the tables.

Remember the date, Thursday, September 13th.

ARTHUR PARKER,
Secretary

Starving to Death.

Because her stomach was so weakened by useless drugging that she could not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters of St. Clair St., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless drugs that I could not eat and my nerves so wrecked that I could not sleep; and not before I was given up to die was I induced to try Electric Bitters; with the wonderful result that improvement began at once, and a complete cure followed." Best health found on earth. 30¢. Guaranteed by L. Fournier, druggist.

Detroit Live Stock Market.

Prime steers and heifers, \$4.50-5.20.
Handy butchers cattle, \$4.00-4.40.
Common, \$2.75-3.75.
Canners' cows, \$1.50-2.25.
Stockers and feeders, \$2.50-4.25.
Milk cows, \$2.00-4.80.
Calves, \$4.00-7.50.
Prime lambs, \$7.00-7.50.
Mixed lambs, \$5.50-6.50.
Culls, \$2.50-3.50.
Prime medium hogs, \$6.35-6.40.
Yorkers, \$6.25-6.30.
Pigs, \$6.25-6.30.
Roughs, 4.00-5.00.

SPECIAL PURCHASE OF LADIES' WAISTS!

We secured from one of the leading Ladies' Shirt Waist manufacturers a sample line of Ladies' Shirt Waists, which were made to retail for from \$3.50 to \$8.00. We shall put them on sale at Special Prices from \$2.50 to \$5.00. Every Waist is strictly latest Fall style. A chance to secure a Waist at money saving prices. Call and look them over.



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Every thing in the line line of Suits, Shoes, Caps, Dresses &c. for boys and girls.

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CHICAGO, ILL.
MICHIGAN.

SHOCKS IN INDIANA.

PEOPLE FLEE IN FEAR FROM SHAKEN BUILDINGS.

Cities in Southern Part of State Feel Earthquake Tremors Distinctly—New-Yorker Killed by Explosive He Invented.

Southern Indiana was visited by a succession of earthquake shocks between 10 and 11 o'clock Friday morning and in some places they were so severe as to frighten the people, causing them to leave their homes and rush into the streets. At some points as many as three shocks were felt, while at others there was a succession of tremors that lasted several seconds, but not distinct enough to be recognized as separate shocks. Princeton and Owensville, a few miles distant, appear to have felt the quakes more sensibly than other cities. At the former some of the buildings rocked and the occupants were greatly frightened. They rushed into the streets, men, women and children, and for a few moments were terror-stricken. At Owensville, where there were three distinct shocks, people left their homes and remained away for several hours, fearing to return. Shocks were felt at a number of other places, the tremors apparently being from west to east. At Bloomfield the shocks were so sensibly felt at the court house that all the county officials left the building.

ON THE DIAMOND FIELD.

Progress of Clubs in Race for Baseball Pennants.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.	W. L.
Chicago	100 82 Cincinnati
New York	82 45 Brooklyn
Pittsburgh	81 48 St. Louis
Philadelphia	78 50 Boston

AMERICAN LEAGUE.	W. L.
New York	77 48 St. Louis
Chicago	70 49 Detroit
Cleveland	69 54 Washington
Philadelphia	68 56 Boston

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.	W. L.
Columbus	59 54 Louisville
Milwaukee	52 63 Kansas City
Toledo	56 67 St. Paul
Minneapolis	70 68 Indianapolis

WESTERN LEAGUE.	W. L.
Des Moines	41 37 Sioux City
Omaha	54 51 Denver
Lincoln	42 65 Pueblo

EXPLOSIVE KILLS ITS INVENTOR.

New-Yorker Dies Instantly and Assistant Is Fatally Hurt.

Frank W. Wendenberger of New York, chemist and inventor of a powerful new explosive, was killed in Lynn, Mass., by the accidental discharge of some of the stuff while giving a demonstration of its power in the presence of a number of contractors. George Tattall, also of New York, president of the company that has been endeavoring to get the explosive on the market, was fatally hurt. An Italian laborer was severely injured and a dozen spectators were slightly hurt by flying bits of rock.

Mayor and Police Heads Quit.

Mayor W. W. Ross, Vernon J. Rose, chief of police, and John F. Kelly, captain of police, in Kansas City, agreed to resign their offices upon promise of the State officials that contempt proceedings brought against them recently in the Kansas Supreme Court would be dropped. Mayor Ross had assumed the office of Mayor after the Supreme Court had ousted him for not enforcing the prohibition law.

New Cruiser Shows Speed.

A report has been received at the Navy Department in Washington stating that the cruiser Raleigh has made a trial sailing out of Tokyo bay. It was a full power run for six hours, and the Raleigh attained a maximum speed of 25.5 knots for more than an hour, and an average speed of 20 knots.

Ends Life in Shame for Son.

Leaving a letter in which he stated that he could no longer bear the shame and ignominy brought upon him by the alleged falsification of his son, J. S. Wister of Anconada, public administrator of Deer Lodge County, committed suicide in a Butte, Mont., lodging house by swallowing strychnine.

Baby Dropped Off Fast Train.

Thrown or fallen from the Pennsylvania New York-Chicago nineteen-hour flyer, a 2-month-old baby was picked up in the weeds and bushes east of Lima, Ohio, in perfect health and uninjured, having alighted in soft clay and marsh lands. The baby was gown in costly finery, marked in French monogram.

Found Dead in Hotel.

Colonel F. W. Miles, superintendent of the Miles Military Academy at Macon, Mo., was found dead in the Southern Hotel in St. Louis under circumstances that seem to require a coroner's inquest.

Hundreds Killed by Authorities.

Hundreds have been killed or wounded in Siedle, Russian Poland, by police and troops in retaliation for an attack by terrorists. The city is in flames.

Body Secreted Under Woodshed.

The body of D. A. Wile was found secreted under a woodshed at his home at Ripley, N. Y. He had apparently been dead several days. He was last seen alive at Erie.

Dream Causes Woman's Death.

Becoming hysterical over a dream that a negro was standing by her bed with a knife to kill her, Miss Annie Morgan, aged 37, of Columbus, Ohio, ran from her room crying out her fears and sank to the floor overcome, dying in a few minutes of heart trouble.

Taken Vell in Chinagra.

Humiliated by the dismissal of her father, William Curtin, from the Springfield, Ohio, police force on a charge of being intoxicated, Miss Nellie Curtin has entered a convent in Cincinnati.

Hit by Train and Killed.

Failing to hear the danger signals and lost to all the surroundings while they were watching the maneuvers of an airplane, Harry A. Lehman was instantly killed and John Frake fatally injured in front of the Union station in Dayton, O. The men were standing on the track when a locomotive bore down on them.

WIFE FOR FARE LEFT.

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Agriculture as the salvation of the country was emphasized by James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern road, in an address at the opening of the Minnesota State fair. Mr. Hill in opening deplored the scarcity of labor on the farms. The reluctance of immigrants to seek the country and the loss of youths from the farms to the city he regarded as a menace to the future welfare and prosperity of the United States. "Within twenty years," said Mr. Hill, "we must have and employ in some fashion 50,000,000 of additional population, and by the middle of this century there will be approximately two and a half times as many people in the United States as there are today. No nation in history was ever confronted with a surer question than this certain prospect sets before us. If we are to walk safely in the way of wisdom there is much to be done. It is time to begin. There must be a national revolt against the worship of manufacture and trade as the only forms of progressive activity and the false notion that wealth is built upon these at the sacrifice of the fundamental form of wealth production can endure. A clear recognition on the part of the whole people, from the highest to the lowest, that the tillage of the soil is the natural and most desirable occupation for man, to which every other is subsidiary and to which all else must in the end yield, is the first requisite."

JAPAN INCENSED AT KILLING.

Question Justification of Shooting of Seal Poachers.

The steamer Tartar, which arrived at Victoria, B. C., from Japan and China, brought news that the killing of the five Japanese seal poachers in the raid at Erebus islands had caused great excitement in Japan and the press is devoting columns to the discussion of the affair. One of the schooners engaged in the affair arrived at Asahi, Hokkaido, shortly before the Tartar sailed and her officers had been instructed to proceed to Tokyo to inform the government regarding the occurrences. Some of the vernacular press quote an unnamed Japanese seal poacher as saying: "In 1901, some Americans protected their seal under their own flag, started the practice of poaching under the Japanese flag with the assistance of Japanese sealers. Whether the Japanese who were killed or imprisoned were employed by Americans or were acting independently is still uncertain, according to investigation. In view of the uncertainty in this point and as to the other circumstances it is not clear whether the killing of the Japanese sealers was justifiable or not."

CUBA'S TRADE WITH U. S. GROWS.

Exports to Island for 1906 Are \$47,705,088—Record Broken.

A report issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor in Washington says: "Commerce of the United States with Cuba in the fiscal year just ended was greater than in any earlier year of the trade relations between the United States and that island. This is particularly true of exports. The imports from the island fell slightly below those of 1905, due to the fall in the price of sugar, but the total was 25 per cent greater than in 1905; 75 per cent greater than in 1904 and about 120 per cent greater than in 1903. Exports to Cuba aggregated \$47,705,088 in 1906. Prior to 1905 the value of the imports into the United States from Cuba ranged in most years from \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000. Of the five articles forming the bulk of our imports from Cuba, sugar amounted in value in 1906 to \$30,000,000, tobacco \$13,500,000, cigars and cigarettes \$4,000,000.

SURPLUS IN WORLD'S CROPS.

Production of Grain Greatly Exceeds Consumption.

The Hungarian minister of agriculture has issued his annual estimates of the world's crops, showing the total yields in millions of meter-centners to be: Wheat, 949,000,000, as compared with 926,000,000 last year; rye, 382,000,000, compared with 394,000,000; barley, 315,000,000, compared with 300,000,000; oats, 827,000,000, compared with 834,000,000; maize, 987,000,000, compared with 917,000,000. The minister estimates the world's total requirements of all grains at 3,131,000,000 meter-centners, so that with the supplies remaining from previous crops, amounting to 91,000,000 meter-centners, he estimates that the surplus of all grains for 1907 will be in the neighborhood of 120,000,000 meter-centners.

Deaths in Frisco Put at 482.

In all 452 persons lost their lives as the result of the disaster of April 18, the San Francisco health department asserts in a formal report to the State board of health. Of the victims 268 were killed by fire, 7 were shot and 2 died as the result of pneumonia, and 1 died of typhoid. "Emergency" canned goods of poor quality, 420 are believed to have been white, 18 Chinese and 4 Japanese.

Wife in Lake and Man in Jail.

The body of a woman, clad only in stockings and chemise, was found on the banks of Snyder Park lake, Springfield, O. There were evidences of a struggle. It is believed that the woman was choked to death by her husband, who is charged with the murder. Elmer Elmore by the woman's husband. He has been placed under arrest.

Frye Clears Up Mystery.

Prof. Charles H. Frye has been identified in jail in Chicago by Mrs. Goddard, acknowledged her as his South Dakota wife, promised to marry her legally, as soon as Mrs. Frye gets a divorce and secured the cessation of the bigamy prosecution.

Rebels Sack Town of Jagua.

Reports from Cienfuegos say that a band of thirty rebels sacked the small town of Jagua, also known as Jagua, on Cienfuegos bay. The rural guards in the garrison at Jagua and the officials of that place shut themselves up in the fort or castle.

Sampson's Son Enters Academy.

The second son of the late Rear Admiral Sampson, U. S. N., to enter the present fourth class at the naval academy was sworn in the other morning. He is Harold B. Sampson, and he was appointed by Senator Depew.

Building Falls and Kills Three.

A section of a big factory building under construction by the Garford Company of Cleveland, collapsed in Elyria, Ohio, burying a number of workmen. Three men are reported to have been killed, and six badly injured.

Largest Deposits in Banks' History.

Total of deposits in Chicago banks is the largest in their history, although the State banks and trust companies show a decrease since June.

Philadelphia Post Mail.

A conspiracy has been suppressed in the province of Llanos, Norte, on the island of Luzon. By the prompt action of

Gov. Hovey in sending 100 Philippine soldiers to the island, the conspiracy was suppressed before it could develop. The conspirators were the principal conspirators and hatched the plot while serving a sentence in jail, where they secured the sympathy and support of fellow prisoners and commenced a revolutionary organization.

EX-WIFE IS BRIDE'S SERVANT.

Danville (Va.) Woman Works in Old Home After Divorce.

Under a Danville (Va.) date the Chicago Record-Herald prints a special dispatch revealing one of the strangest domestic romances ever recorded. It tells how an ex-wife became a servant when her divorced husband married another woman and how the love for her children induced the discarded spouse to act as a maid in her old home. "She prepared the marriage supper and saw the couple off on their bridal tour. The dispatch says: When John C. Putney was married to his second wife, Miss Lillian Skopitz, an attractive young school teacher, his former wife, with whom he had lived twelve years and from whom he was recently divorced, acted as the family cook. With no audible complaint at the irony of fate which had displaced her as mistress of the home and reduced her to the position of a maid, she prepared the wedding feast and carried off the situation with the demeanor of a stoic. Her period of abasement was not ended with the day's festivities, in which her successful husband took the leading part. She remained with the family as its servant—at least as long as she can endure the situation. When the happy couple started away they left the children and the home in her care and the former wife says she will remain as cook and general utility woman when they return, for are not the children there?"

ROBBERS DYNAMITE A TRAIN.

Explosive Intended to Blow Up Passenger Shatters Freight.

Dynamite placed on the Wisconsin Central tracks at Ironwood, Mich., with the evident intention of wrecking a passenger train carrying valuable mail and express blew up an ore train. When the engine struck the dynamite a terrific explosion lifted the engine into the air, and it fell on its side a mass of twisted wreckage. The tender was demolished and one of the cars was blown to splinters. Charles Nelson, the engineer, and Paul Walsh, the fireman, were taken from the wreckage badly injured. Four other cars of the train were destroyed and the tracks were torn up for several rods. Ore was scattered over the tracks and in the fields for a distance of more than 300 yards. The dynamite had been placed in a switch box and the explosion caught the engine immediately in front of the cab, which was shattered. It is believed to have been an egg. The fireman and engineer were hurled high in the air, alighting in the ditch. Other members of the crew were lifted into the air and fell at the side of the tracks, cut and bruised by ore and splinters. Search for the perpetrators of the outrage, which has infuriated the people in the neighborhood, has begun.

THIEF LEAPS FROM CAR.

Woman Purposes Escaped Prisoner, Who Jumps from Train.

Passengers who came through to Aberdeen, S. D., on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul passenger train the other night were surprised to see a man suddenly jump out of a window of a moving coach and a woman leap from the rear platform of the train and run. The woman was Mrs. Giddings. She had been at Minneapolis to identify the man, who had been arrested there on suspicion of having stolen a case of dry goods valued at \$600. The man was being taken back to Groton to face a charge of grand larceny. When the man leaped through the window the woman pulled the bell-cord, and an instant later was on the rear platform shouting to the crew not to wait for her. She jumped from the moving train and started in pursuit of the fugitive. The passengers did not learn the result of the race.

MANY SAVED BY SINGLE MATCH.

Slender Means Enables Farmer and Wife to Prevent Wreck.

Upon a single match depended the lives of many persons the other night, when an attempt to wreck the Fort Smith passenger train near Palmar, Ark., was frustrated by John Sloan and his wife. They were walking along the track and discovered a switch thrower, which was a large stone and railroad tie piled on the track. They could hear the train speeding around a nearby curve. Sloan had only one match, which he succeeded in lighting, and fired a piece of paper. His wife removed her white petticoat, and, waving it in the light of the burning paper, succeeded in stopping the train within a few yards of the switch.

Train Kills Man and Wife.

A spring wagon in which were seated William Bauers, wife and two children, of Brecksville, O., was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train at the crossing at Boston Mills. Bauers and his wife were instantly killed and the 7-year-old son was slightly hurt. The 2-year-old baby was hurled forty feet into a corn field but was uninjured.

Big Grocery Firm Sells Out.

Chicago wholesale grocery circles were stirred the other day by the announcement that the McNeill & Higgins Company had bought the Walsh, Boyle & Co. stock, merchandise good will and all the assets of the latter company, doing an annual business of \$3,000,000, has been taken over by the former, whose business last year amounted to \$5,000,000.

Machinery Seizes Young Woman.

Anna Shenn, 22 years old, had her scalp torn from her head by her hair becoming entangled in the machinery of a factory in which she was employed in Minneapolis. Other employees of the place were powerless to aid her.

Six Injured in Collision.

Six men were so badly hurt in a collision on the Thirty-ninth street car line of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company that they were taken to the Coney Island Reception hospital. Several may die from internal injuries.

Nebraska Has Record Crop.

According to the figures issued by the Union Pacific Railroad Company in its crop bulletin, covering the last half of August, Nebraska this year will have the largest crop of corn ever raised in the State.

Vermont Plurality Reduced.

The Republican ticket was elected in Vermont Tuesday, with a plurality being the normal, E. D. Proctor being chosen Governor.

Northwest Train Is Fanned.

The long sought northwest passage has been navigated by the Norwegian polar expedition on the ship Glos, which has reached Bering Strait after the voyage.

Weekly Trade Review.

Weekly trade reviews report a seasonable expansion of business and an encouraging industrial outlook.

GIVE BRYAN THE GLAD HAND.

W. J. Bryan was welcomed home at Lincoln by a concourse of 60,000 persons. The display was entirely non-partisan.

The prize, an address was made by Gov. Mickey, a Republican.

Two hours before Mr. Bryan arrived at Lincoln, the crowd began assembling, and was packed around the station, on the platform, on the sidewalks and in the streets. Mr. Bryan arrived at Lincoln by the train, and Mr. Bryan appeared on the platform. His only verbal expression as he looked down on the multitude of faces was: "Great Scott, what a crowd!" The crowd included many visitors from other States.

The police forced an alley from the train to the carriages in waiting. Showing no signs of fatigue, but bowing right and left and smiling broadly, Mr. Bryan made his way to the carriage. Seated with him were Gov. Mickey, Mayor Brown and John E. Miller, president of the Lincoln Commercial Club.

Two hours before the time for the exercises at the capitol grounds a crowd estimated at the very least 60,000 to 70,000 struggled for points of vantage around the speakers' stand. Mr. Bryan was escorted to the stand by a detachment of his private office in the state house. A prayer by the Rev. George W. Martin, pastor of the Methodist church at Normal, Mr. Bryan's suburban home, was followed by a brief speech of welcome by Mayor Brown.

The crowd showed some impatience as the Governor proceeded with his speech, but he asked it to bear with him for a few moments. The crowd for Bryan increased. As Gov. Mickey concluded and Mr. Bryan arose there was renewed cheering and handclapping. Mr. Bryan began by saying that in his travels he had learned the Arabic language contained 600 words meaning camel, and that since returning to the United States he had wished that the American language contained as many words meaning "I thank you."

Following Mr. Bryan's speech the formal reception took place in the corridors of the capitol, in which Mr. Bryan shook hands with the thousands who passed before him.

Simplified Spelling Boom.

Close on the heels of President Roosevelt's official endorsement of the reformed spelling favored by the simplified spelling board, it was announced that Rev. Dr. Walter W. Skeat, the noted Anglo-Saxon scholar of Cambridge, England, and Dr. James A. Murray, editor of the Oxford English Dictionary, have joined the ranks of spelling reformers. Mr. Bryan, whose money endowed the work of the board, expressed "delight, but not surprise" at the President's attitude and thought that this would settle the adoption of spelling reform by the majority of the English-speaking race. The spelling board has received a great mass of inquiries for lists and primers of the new spelling rules. Nevertheless the press of England and largely of this country has ridiculed unmercifully the President's action. President Eliot of Harvard said the new style did not appeal to him and he thought it would be a long time before it would become popular. John Wainman has adopted the new spelling for his advertising and likewise S. Plaur & Co. of Newark and the editors of a number of trade papers. Prof. Matthews calls attention to the fact that the board does not attempt such radical changes as new principles would imply, as they have gone no further than the 300 words listed. Also to the fact that Editors Smith of the Standard and the editor of Webster's are all members of the simplified spelling board.

Insurance Rates Cut Off.

The first decision rendered by ex-President Grover Cleveland as referee for the big three life insurance companies will prevent English policy holders from continuing to get a reduction on account of the income tax law, and will result in a big saving to the companies. According to the English law, those who were subject to the payment of an income tax law were allowed to deduct the amount paid for their life insurance premiums on English policies, but not on American policies. Consequently, the American companies have been in the habit of absorbing this tax by granting a rebate. Mr. Cleveland holds that this can no longer be done under the new rebate law. One effect will be to curtail the amount of foreign business.

The New Rate Law is Now Under Weight.

The Cuban uprising has run out of year.

The Sons of the Revolution are quite active in Cuba.

Russia is looking for the sudden step-off of Corn. Treproff.

Corn promises to be abundant and high—14 feet in Kansas.

Will the next presidential message be signed "Theodor Roosevelt?"

Trust that the earthquake has no idea of making a tour of the world.

When words are spelled by sound school teachers will look for another job.

"Small bills are needed," exclaims the Washington Star. Right you are!

Henceforth we are supposed to begin to Josh Billings our way through life.

Secretary Wilson is determined to make the Chicago packers paste up or shut up.

Fifty-three job holders were assassinated in Russia last month. After all, that is cheaper than muck-raking them out of their jobs.

The real trouble in Cuba seems to be that there are not enough offices to go around.

The time seems to be coming fast in Russia when only the bravest will dare hold office.

Worst of it is the Coal Trust won't let us have coal enough to make it hot enough for the Ice Trust!

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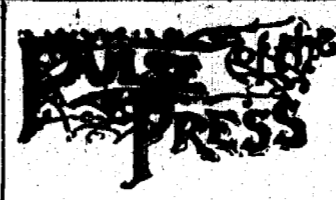
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Mr. Bryan arrived at Lincoln by the train, and Mr. Bryan appeared on the platform. His only verbal expression as he looked down on the multitude of faces was: "Great Scott, what a crowd!"

The crowd included many visitors from other States.

The police forced an alley from the train to the carriages in waiting. Showing no signs of fatigue, but bowing right and left and smiling broadly, Mr. Bryan made his way to the carriage.

Seated with him were Gov. Mickey, Mayor Brown and John E. Miller, president of the Lincoln Commercial Club.

Two hours before the time for the exercises at the capitol grounds a crowd estimated at the very least 60,000 to 70,000 struggled for points of vantage around the speakers' stand.

Mr. Bryan was escorted to the stand by a detachment of his private office in the state house. A prayer by the Rev. George W. Martin, pastor of the Methodist church at Normal, Mr. Bryan's suburban home, was followed by a brief speech of welcome by Mayor Brown.

The crowd showed some impatience as the Governor proceeded with his speech, but he asked it to bear with him for a few moments. The crowd for Bryan increased. As Gov. Mickey concluded and Mr. Bryan arose there was renewed cheering and handclapping.

Mr. Bryan began by saying that in his travels he had learned the Arabic language contained 600 words meaning camel, and that since returning to the United States he had wished that the American language contained as many words meaning "I thank you."

POLITICAL COMMENT

A Tale of Two Parties.

In the past two or three days the contrast between the conditions in the Democratic and the Republican parties has been brought out in a clear light. The country sees Illinois giving a double setback to the principal presidential aspirant of the national democracy. The same aspirant, Mr. Bryan, has just met a defeat in the Democratic convention in Ohio. Tom L. Johnson, who stands close to Bryan, and who, it is believed, was working not only in Bryan's interest but at his instigation, tried to depose Harvey C. Garber, chairman of the Ohio Democratic State Committee. Garber, for some reason, has become obnoxious to Bryan and Johnson, and Johnson failed badly in attempting to turn him down. Mr. Johnson did what he tried to get the Illinois Democrats to force Roger C. Sullivan off the national committee. In Indiana a fight is impending when Bryan stands, for he will be compelled to declare for or against Tom Taggart as chairman of the national committee.

Just as some exuberant seers were predicting that a Democrat would be the next Governor of New York, and that the next Governor of New York would be the next President of the United States, comes a fight which has torn the New York democracy wide open, and has insured the continuance of Republican sway in that State. Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany chief, has declared for William H. Hearst for Governor of New York. District Attorney Jerome has announced that he (Jerome) will accept the Democratic nomination for Governor if it is offered to him without conditions, and incidentally he remarks that the political situation in that State is "shameful." This epithet is directed against Hearst, who responds immediately by saying that he repudiates Murphy and despises Jerome. Jerome assails Hearst, calling him "intellectually sterile, socially vulgar and morally obtuse," and says he is not surprised that Murphy favors Hearst. Probably Murphy will support Hearst, notwithstanding Hearst's claim that he does not want and will not accept any votes from Murphy or his element of the Democracy. Tammany is pretty sure to support Hearst in the State convention, and if the nomination goes to him, even through Tammany votes, Hearst will accept it. Incidentally Hearst intimates that if he should be elected Governor he would find some way to remove Jerome and Mayor McClellan.

Compared with the Bryan-Sullivan and the Bryan-Garber feuds in the West and the Jerome-Hearst-Murphy vendettas in the East, the Odell-Higgins fight is only a child's quarrel. An adjustment can easily be reached between the wrangling Republicans. In fact, Higgins sees that the Democratic split has simplified matters so much for the Republicans that he announces himself as a candidate for a second term. There are indications, however, that the Republicans will nominate Hughes, the insurance inquisitor, for Governor of New York. He would get thousands of Democratic votes, even if the Democracy were united, as it is not, and as it cannot be until at the earliest, after the close of the canvass of 1906. In the national field there is not a cloud on the Republican sky. All the leaders are pulling together. The Democrats hoped that Cummins of Iowa would start a row in the party which would extend through the nation. Nothing of the kind took place. Cummins' platform turned out to be an orthodox Republican deliverance, on which every true Republican, from President Roosevelt and Speaker Cannon down to the privates in the ranks can stand. Roosevelt, Cannon, Sherman and the rest of the Republican chieftains are working harmoniously and enthusiastically for the success of the Congressional ticket. Nobody doubts that the Republicans will retain their control of Congress. The new Congress will continue the good work begun by the present body, but which cannot be finished in the three months' session beginning in December of this year. This work will strengthen the hold of the Republican party on the affections of the American people. There is not the faintest chance for a Democratic victory this year. The stock market and the general business conditions show that the solid, sane elements of the American people are confident that the Republican party will continue for many years longer to dispense Republican prosperity to the country.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Revision Sentiment.

The sentiment for tariff revision is growing in the Republican party. The triumph of Cummins in Iowa, pronounced revisionist, was followed by the declaration of Senator Cullom, of Illinois, in favor of a change in the Dingley schedules. Yesterday Illinois Republicans, in State convention, endorsed Cullom for another term in the Senate and in their platform boldly declared for tariff revision whenever the change is advantageous to the country. To-day Nebraska Republicans went on record as revisionists and even in Massachusetts the party is turning its face to the front under a revisionist candidate for Governor.

Even President Roosevelt is not the hard and fast standpatter the extreme protectionists would have the country believe. In the Watson letter it will be remembered he said:

"Whenever a given rate or schedule becomes evidently disadvantageous to the nation, because of the changes which go on from year to year in our conditions, that rate or schedule will be changed, while a general revision of the rates and schedules will be undertaken whenever it shall appear to the sober business sense of our people that the revision will do more good than harm."

The sentiment is making itself felt throughout the country. Republican

realize certain changes are necessary and that these changes should be made by the Republican party rather than endanger the system of protection by turning the work over to its enemies.

The Country's Prosperity.
Statistics recently published by the Bureau of Labor at Washington speak eloquently of the widespread prosperity of the country. The "slack" in the labor market is all taken up and the supply of laborers is not equal to the demand. If men are idle it is from choice and not because of lack of employment.

Two years ago the people of the country were busy and yet more than 60 per cent more men are employed now than at that time and the average wages are more than 20 per cent higher than twenty-four months ago. Wages per hour last year were 19 per cent higher than they were ten years ago. Of course, food supplies cost more, for the tendency is always for an advance in foods during eras of great prosperity.

Last year more than a million European laborers came to this country, and another million are coming this year. They are quickly assimilated, and the cry is for more laborers. Employment agencies all over the country are asking for more and there is a shortage in every section. Even Canada is trying to divert the emigrants to the Northwest and every man willing and able to work has no difficulty in finding it.

This year the farmers again have bumper crops. Perhaps never before in the history of the country have the agriculturists been blessed with such a degree of material wealth. This gives a substantial foundation to the country's prosperity, and unless there should come a period of wild speculation there is not a cloud in the financial sky. The "square deal" policy of the national administration gives a feeling of security; there are no internal or international complications, and from whatever standpoint the situation is viewed, it gives promise of a peaceful and fruitful future.

The Democratic Keynote.

Mr. Bryan's address in New York was not very impressive. Its importance lies, of course, in the fact that Mr. Bryan, as the probable choice of his party for the presidency two years hence, took occasion to formulate, or to restate, his political creed, which expresses the floating and not very logically related opinions and purposes, convictions and prejudices finally becoming coherent as his party's policy.

The address was not free from the taint of petty partisanship, as where he ascribed to the Republican party solely—and under the eyes of Tammany—at that—all the evils of that corrupt alliance of bossism and business which Republicans are fighting as sincerely and more effectively to-day than Democrats. This reminds us that Mr. Bryan is a politician at all times.

So far as his political proposals are concerned, the most radical is his reference to government ownership of railroads, a problem so enormous, so complicated, and so far from critical that Mr. Bryan's views upon it may well be deemed as academic as Mr. Bryan's sentimental friendliness for theoretic Socialism.

The tariff passage was expected, and all the generalizations on liberty, plutocracy and democracy.

The address was protestant throughout, but it was singularly lacking in practical assurance and definiteness. Its ideas are familiar, some of them worn with much use, and spread before the reader in columns of print, they must seem insubstantial and disappointing, even to his sympathetic followers.

No wonder those who were standing during its delivery wandered away long before its close.—Chicago Post.

What Did They Expect?

The present lamentable plight of conservative Democrats who up to a short while ago were shouting for Bryan would melt a heart of stone. They had deluded themselves into thinking that this Bryan who was sailing home from his tour around the world was some other Bryan instead of the man who had advocated in the past government ownership of railroads, an income tax and other policies which they detest. So they eagerly awaited his return in order that he might sound the keynote for the party.

The returned Bryan, welcomed so gladly by the conservatives as one of themselves, arose before the throng in Madison Square Garden and spoke his views. To the amazement and horror of those who were looking for a great conservative force to tie, he proved the same Bryan whom they had known in other years. Now they are groping helplessly and hopelessly amid the ruins of the air castles which they had built.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Realistic.

The book agent was showing the old farmer one of the "six best sellers." "A wonderful book," said the agent, as he turned to the first chapter. "Just listen to this plot: There's an ominous cloud on the sire's brow when he sees the lightning flash in the determined eyes of his beautiful daughter."

"Great shots!" ejaculated the old farmer, his jaw dropping.

"Then comes the shower of tears. 'But hark! The hero is thundering—'"

The old farmer jumped down from the fence and held up his hand.

"One minute, mister," he drawled. "One minute till I put the chickens up and get my umbrella. I swan, that that book is so storny I feel like I am getting wet now."—Columbus Dispatch.

Modest.

"Rimer had a poem accepted by Scribner's Magazine."

"Yes, and he's taken to the backwoods."

"What for?"

"He says he hates like thunder to be lionized."—Philadelphia Press.

There are 22,000 casual laborers in Liverpool, England.

STENSLAND IS TAKEN.

ABSCONDING CHICAGO BANKER ARRESTED IN TANGIER.

Followed to Northern Africa by Assistant State's Attorney Olson—United States Has No Extradition Treaty with Morocco.

Paul O. Stensland is a prisoner in the United States legation at Tangier, Morocco. He was captured in that city by Assistant State's Attorney Olson.



PAUL O. STENSLAND.

State's Attorney James J. Harbour in a cablegram directing him to notify the authorities at Washington at once.

Within a few hours new warrants had been issued for Stensland, the State and federal governments were at work preparing for his return to Chicago, and arrangements had been begun to send an officer to Tangier. It is necessary, to bring him back. One of the new warrants charges Stensland with the larceny and embezzlement of \$100,000 from the bank of which he was president.

One of the steps taken at Washington was to cable Minister Guimere at Tangier to ascertain the attitude of the Moroccan government toward a proposed surrender of Stensland. The United States has no extradition treaty with Morocco.

Cables to His Son.

Before the machinery had been set in motion for Stensland's return a cablegram, sent by him to Theodore Stensland, his son, from Gibraltar three days before his embezzlements became known, fell into the hands of Inspector Shippy. In effect it said Stensland considered himself safe, and it instructed Stensland Jr. that concealment no longer was necessary.

Tangier is across the strait from Gibraltar, and Stensland was about to embark for the country in which he finally was captured when he cabled. Inspector Shippy declared that the cablegram was the only communication received by the son from his father before the crash, and that the "letter from St. Paul," which Theodore pretended conveyed to him the news of his father's defalcations had no existence.

Meanwhile Stensland is fighting desperately in Tangier to retain \$12,000, probably all that remained to him of the thousands he stole from the depositors of the Milwaukee Avenue Bank when he was captured. The money is in deposit in the Comptoir National d'Escompte. Mr. Barbeau, receiver of the bank, was resorting to every means to retain possession of the money. He accordingly cabled Mr. Olson, authority from John C. Fetzer, receiver of the bank, to attach the fund to Stensland's credit in the Tangier bank in the name of Mr. Fetzer.

Particulars of the Capture.

Stensland, who has been traveling as P. Olson, was arrested in the British postoffice at Tangier. When Stensland came to Chicago years ago he was content with his own family name, Paul Olson. When he acquired wealth he added the name Stensland, explaining that his identity would be confused with that of other Paul Olsons, and signed himself Paul O. Stensland. O being all that remained of his family name. When he fled from Chicago, July 14, he returned to the name he had discarded. He was attaching it to a request that his mail be forwarded from the British postoffice in Tangier to Mogador, Morocco, when he was accosted by Assistant State's Attorney Olson, who said: "I am Olson. Sign your own name, Stensland."

The two having known each other casually several years, Stensland made no attempt to deny his identity. He was thunderstruck when accosted, but he soon regained his composure, and accompanied Mr. Olson to the United States legation, where he is being held prisoner.

Nixon's Novel Marine Engine.

A new double-action, reversible gas marine engine has just passed a successful test at the shops of the Standard Motor and Construction Company in Jersey City in the presence of a number of naval officers and manufacturers. It is the first marine gas engine which runs at slow speed, with a development of high power, at a fuel consumption of seven-tenths of a pound of horse-power per hour; the engine develops 300 horse-power, at 320 revolutions per minute, with a practical absence of vibration and without noise. The double action is obtained by using both sides of the piston surface, making one cylinder do the work of two. All the valves have a continuous circulation of cold water automatically. Lewis Nixon is the owner of this engine.

Interesting News Items.

Cars left the track, demolished a house and killed George Carberry at Syracuse, N. Y.

Tom Ramsey shot and fatally injured a man named Brown, who jumped one of Ramsey's claims at Ramsey, Nev. Ramsey is a millionaire mine owner of Goldfield.

Brig. Gen. James A. Buchanan, retired, recommends to the government that it make provision for the advancement of the Philippine scouts and place them on army basis.

The City Council at Seattle, Wash., passed an ordinance calling for a special election to vote on the issuance of \$1,275,000 worth of bonds for a municipal street railway system.

The county commissioners of Walworth County, South Dakota, have instructed State's Attorney Carl F. Cleland to bring suit against fifty citizens of Sedley for \$10,000 damages for the destruction of the court house at Bangor in December, 1904.

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SHOOT HIS OWN SON.

Unnatural Crime of Charles Blanchard, a Manistee Fisherman.

Charles Blanchard of Manistee shot his son Julius with a revolver. The ball penetrated the left lung and it is feared that the wound may prove fatal. Both father and son are fishermen and ill feeling has existed between them for a long time. The other day, while the father was working with his helper in the fishhouse Julius came to the window of intoxication and abused his father roundly. The latter shot him and ran away, but shortly afterwards surrendered himself. Julius was taken to Mercy sanitarium, where he lies in a precarious condition. He is 28 years old, married and has two children. The father is 65 and a widower.

ITALIANS IN A FATAL RIOT.

Trouble Over Pay Leads to Use of Knives.

As a result of a riot among Italian laborers in Grand Rapids over their pay for street construction work Edward Matreanu was probably fatally stabbed in the breast and A. D. France was seriously knifed in the arm. Jack and Philip Swell are under arrest charged with the riot. The riot broke out over the pay for Tom Lafella, suspected of being implicated in the affair. The men are part of a large gang of Italians brought from Chicago this summer. About twenty of them attacked the timekeepers and a general fight followed.

MYSTERY IN A MURDER.

Planned of Main Telegraph Operator Has Disappeared.

The Gallen murder case brings to light the fact that Lloyd A. Dynes, the murdered operator, was engaged to be married to Miss Myrtle Hill of Kalamazoo. Miss Hill has mysteriously disappeared and cannot be found in the city, although a number of her acquaintances have been interviewed and all tell the story of the intended marriage. It is also said that the marriage license was found in the murdered man's pocket.

TWO PAINFULLY BURNED.

Tank on Gasoline Stove at Flint Explodes.

By the explosion of the tank of a gasoline stove in Flint Mrs. M. M. Atkins and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Atkins, were painfully burned about their faces and arms. The flames communicated to the woodwork in the kitchen and badly damaged the interior of the house before they were extinguished by the fire department. Two canary birds in a cage hanging in the room where the explosion occurred were burned to death.

VALIER IS SHOT DEAD.

Officers Fire on Jail Breakers at Manistee.

James Valier, the horse thief who with two other prisoners escaped from the county jail at Manistee the other night, was shot and killed by officers on the lake shore, twenty-eight miles from Manistee. They were traced to the beach and at midnight were seen on a hill 150 yards off. Not stopping when ordered to halt, the officers shot, killing Valier immediately. The bullet entered his heart.

Tricks Hard to End His Life.

Despondent over money matters and in poor health, Miss Elizabeth Mast, aged about 40 years, of Waterville, Ohio, attempted suicide at the house of her brother, Peter Mast, in Adrian. She turned on the gas and then cut the arteries of her left wrist with the scissors. When found she was unconscious from the bleeding and the effect of the gas, but she will recover.

Killed Without Warning.

While sitting on the porch of the house where he boarded in Sault Ste. Marie, Vincenzo Siciliano, aged 25, was shot and instantly killed by Frank Calichio, with whom he had quarrel a few days ago. Calichio escaped into a swamp. Witnesses say no words passed between the two men during the shooting.

Michigan Rural Routes.

Monroe and Isabella counties are to have complete rural delivery service beginning Oct. 10. Seven of the thirty-four routes contemplated for Monroe county are to be established on that date while six new routes will be instituted in Isabella county, making twenty-four routes there in all.

Platter Cuts Her Hand Off.

While carrying a platter Mrs. Emilie Geiger, two miles north of Albion, fell and nearly cut her hand off at the wrist with the broken dish. She had a narrow escape from death by loss of blood, but members of her family succeeded in saving her. It is doubtful whether the hand can be saved.

Missing Man's Body Found.

The body of William Gordon was found at Clear Lake, near Johnstown, badly decomposed. The jury brought in a verdict of suicide. It is thought disappointment in love caused the rash act. He was 35 years old, and his parents live in Embury, Ont.

Free Delivery for St. Clair.

A postoffice inspector visited St. Clair and will recommend the establishment of free city delivery at that place, to begin Nov. 1. St. Clair will only the distinction of being the smallest city in the State to have free city delivery.

Job Told to Get Him.

William Lewis, arrested for brutally assaulting the 11-year-old daughter of William Barnhart, a business man of St. Joseph, was followed by an angry crowd on the way to the county jail. A guard of three deputy sheriffs was needed to save him from violence.

Lexington Yarn Mill Burns.

The yarn mill, together with stock or finished goods and raw material of the wooden mills of John L. Ford & Sons, burned at Lexington. It was a total loss, partially insured.

Burns Herself to Death.

Haunted by the fear that she would become hopelessly insane, Mrs. H. D. Hatch, a prominent matron of Hart, poured benzine on her clothes, applied a match and died a few hours later. Mrs. Hatch had recently returned from the Traverse City asylum, where she had been receiving treatment.

Son of Captain Brown.

A boy, aged 7, named Edwin R. Ewell, died in the city of St. Joseph, Mo. The child was drowned. He was the son of Capt. George W. Ewell of the large St. Joseph. The family belongs in Toledo.

500,000 FIRE AT EMPIRE.

Plant of Empire Lumber Company Is Destroyed.

The most disastrous fire in the history of Leelanau county raged the mill, car shops, blacksmith shops and machine shops of the Empire Lumber Co. at Empire. Evidently the fire was caused by spontaneous combustion. It was a spectacular sight for miles on Lake Michigan, as the location has a sweep of the lake route between Chicago and the north. The loss is \$500,000, with insurance of \$32,000. The company will rebuild at once, as over two hundred men are without employment.

HONOR DOPE KILLS A MAN.

Dirty Joe Makes Mistake in Grabbing for Bottle.

Homer Smith, a very eccentric Allegan character, known as "Dirty Joe," went to the barn of Homer Sherwood and drank horse medicine containing belladonna, which he mistook for the whiskey bottle that was on the same shelf and died in ten minutes. It was against his principles to bathe and he and his family were given a thorough cleaning up in the river, but they have shunned water ever since.

INSTANTLY KILLS GIRL.

Accidental Discharge of Shotgun Near Warren Is Fatal.

While Augusta Range, aged 12, was carrying a shotgun from the kitchen to a bedroom, the weapon was accidentally discharged. The charge struck her sister Clara, aged 10, in the neck, killing her instantly. The family lives six miles southwest of Warren.

Swimmer Is Drowned.

Nathan F. Hall was drowned near the tannery in Grand Rapids. The young man went up the river to spend a day with some friends who had been camping. In the morning he went in swimming, but was taken with cramps. The body was recovered within half an hour. He was 21 years old and married.

Grease Fire Near Battle Creek.

Head of an unknown man 60 years old was found hanging from an elm tree at Graham lake, near Battle Creek. Corner Bidwell held an inquest. The body was found on the ground under the tree badly decayed.

Child Eats Strabine.

The 2-year-old daughter of S. G. Nagel of Benton Harbor found a box of strabine pills, and before discovered by her mother ate several of them. Prompt medical attention saved the child's life.

Explosion in Chemical Plant.

Elmer Gilman was killed and several other workmen were injured by an explosion which wrecked the plant of the Midland Chemical Company, chloroform manufacturers, in Midland.

Drowned While Bathing.

Charles W. Thurgill, aged 22, while in bathing at Brush lake, near Alpena, was drowned. He was prominent socially. He has worked in Gaylord the past year and was home on his vacation.

Brief State Happenings.

Lid on at Paranalee.

Jack-the-Hugger at Waterville.

There were 2,770 deaths in State during July.

Fair of Amateur Society at Saginaw netted \$1,000.

Man passing counterfeit \$10 gold pieces in Crampton City.

Italian young man arrested for abusing horse until it died.

Ginseng thieves are busy near State agricultural college.

Boys playing with matches caused fire in Port Huron home.

Decomposed body of baby found in valve at Grand Rapids.

Tonno gown in Iowa weighed one pound fourteen ounces.

R. D. Collier of Royalton has been justice of peace 30 years.

Little Richmond girl fell from steps and broke collar bone.

Chio plum tree has both green and ripe fruit as well as blossoms.

Alpena man arrested for passing "booby" to prisoners in jail.

Ice famine causes price of ice cream sodas to double in Plainwell.

Memoranda ministers waging war on suggestive advertising ventures.

Black eye for proposed medical inspection of pupils in Grand Rapids.

Sailing station, at Yassar, took in 1,200 bushels cucumbers one day.

Drive on Muskegon river this year consisted of 8,000,000 feet of lumber.

Colored tailor of Iowa heir to plantation in Alabama, valued at \$5,000.

Lansing bartender seriously injured by bottle exploding, cutting his wrists.

Glazier stove works, Chelsea, perfecting stove to use denatured alcohol as fuel.

J. H. Moores, Lansing capitalist and lumberman, will give boulevard to home town.

Preacher's wife at Douglass fell down stairs at parsonage and broke collar bone.

Warrants out for agents who sold steaves around Alpena without State license.

Carson City woman served pudding that came from England to guests at dinner recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Watson of Fair Plain celebrated golden wedding anniversary.

Charles O. Jones, formerly of Alpena, committed suicide in St. Louis because he lost \$70.

Seventeen-year-old Grand Rapids girl seeks \$10,000 damages for being run over by milk wagon.

Benton Harbor 2-year-old swallowed strychnine pills and doctors saved his life by narrow margin.

Lloyd manufacturing concern of Minneapolis will move to Menominee. Plant valued at \$250,000.

Port Huron girl lost part of scalp and cheek was torn by getting hair caught in shaft of windmill.

Xpianth farmer, in answer to bill for divorce, says he moved to have less mother-in-law and more peace.

Mrs. Sophia W. McCall, mother of ex-Sheriff McCall of Flint, celebrated nineteenth anniversary of birth.

Heat caused Bedford colored woman to go insane. She was sent to asylum after threatening lives of family.

Because wife goes about house looking "sloppy" Grand Rapids man wants divorce from marriage vows.

Domestic schoolkeeper promised to sin no more so minister withdrew complaint for keeping open after hours.

Flint man works divorce because wife colored him down the drain. Couple were married in 1875 and have eight children.

Milton Edlin of South Bend, Ind., was killed by diving from pier into shallow water in St. Joseph. His neck was broken.

Sunday School LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 16.

Jesus Silences the Pharisees and Sadducees—Mark 12:13-27.

Golden Text.—Remember unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's.—Mark 12:17.

It very often happens that men do not understand their own motives. Everyone likes to think well of himself, and so everyone is apt to "make believe," to himself as well as to others, that his motives are good even when he is most selfish or most unkind. That was the case with the religious leaders of the Jews in the time of our Lord. They really thought themselves very good. They really thought that they were acting according to the demands of a true religion. But their motives were selfish and mean, and that led them to think very erroneously. Their great desire was to discredit Jesus because He was destroying their own influence. So they were prejudiced and could not see the merits of Jesus and the truth of His teaching.

The attitude of these very religious people toward Jesus is indeed the most horrible example of the way in which hatred and jealousy and self-interest can close the minds and hearts of men to the truth, and cause them to reject Jesus Christ, the embodiment of truth and love. But all the time and everywhere there are similar examples.

Notes.

A Sharp Trick.—People who are bent on an evil purpose might be enlightened concerning the evil into which they are entering by noting the evil means they employ to achieve their ends. A good cause needs no trickiness to support it. The leaders of the movement against Jesus sent young scholars or disciples of their own to make certain inquiries of Jesus. These young men evidently were to act as though they were in search of knowledge, and perhaps as though they thought of becoming disciples of Jesus. The questioner was fully prepared in the hope of catching Jesus and causing Him to say something that could be used against Him either among the common people or in a Roman court. The little speech with which they introduced their questioning was intended to flatter Jesus and put Him off His guard.

Tribute unto Caesar.—The Roman emperors exacted taxes from all the peoples that had been brought under Roman rule and protection. These taxes were in some degree just, for though taken from conquered people they were largely used for necessary governmental purposes such as army protection, policing, and courts of justice.

For the Jews to refuse to pay their tribute would have been madness. It would only have brought more troops to look after them, and more repressive measures. They were a conquered people and must acknowledge the fact. God permitted them to be conquered, indeed, and their duty was not to resist the conqueror, but to get rid of the national sins that had made their subjugation possible and necessary.

Of course the questioners hoped that if Jesus declared that it was proper to pay the tribute, then the people, with whom the taxes were very unpopular, would no longer believe Him to be the Messiah. But if Jesus said it was not proper to pay the tribute, they would be in a position to get rid of Him by giving the Roman governor a hint as to the character of His teaching. In that case it would not have been necessary for them to appear publicly as His accusers.

The Answer.—Jesus, who knew men's hearts, saw the villainy in the minds of His questioners. He did not answer as they expected, but returned an answer that was so clever and so evidently just that "they marvelled greatly at Him." He bore the head of the questioner, the Emperor was typical of the power of Rome. It stood for orderly government, for government works, and for law. It stood for material blessings for which material taxes had to be paid. These things were necessary and therefore it was necessary to pay tribute to the power by which these things were supplied.

But all that was a matter aside from the affairs of God's Kingdom. God's claims in no way interfered with the claims of Caesar in so far as the people upon whom the claims were made were concerned, and in so far as the claims did not trespass upon people's rights.

The Sadducees' Question.—The Sadducees thought they could prove the notion that there will be a resurrection absurd. They began by taking for granted that if there was a resurrection people would necessarily find a way to the same relations to each other in the next life as in this life, and in particular that married persons would still be married. They might as well have taken for granted that because we now need food to keep our bodies alive we shall have to eat in Heaven also. They may have prop

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Phelim's Benefit

By Sam F. Bullock

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All day long Phelim had piped ecstatically from the sidewalk, and now, the fair being over and people thinking of home, Phelim had pocketed his tin whistle and, in the market place, before Lismahoe town hall, stood within a ring of admirers preparing to give his farewell performance.

"Gather up, gather up, me sons an' daughters!" he shouted and shook himself inside his rag. "Come and hear old Phelim! Gather up, gather up! Is jaylous to whistle to the winds an' die for lack of bread? Aw! pity the poor blind!" he whined with a sudden change of tone. "Och! pity the poor blind! Long I've traveled, hard I've wrought this day. Up to heaven I cry, Och! pity the poor blind!"

The wheedling whine of him, so humorously pitiful, came shrill through the street; at sound of it you could see men's hands go quick to their pockets, and themselves press through the crowd to get a nearer look at the old beggar standing there blind and helpless within the ring crying shrilly up to heaven for pity for the poor blind.

"Pity poor old Phelim!" he cried, and placing his hands upon his staff waited eagerly for his appeal to bring the coins rattling into the battered hat that rested before him on the stones.

A fine head he had (he was a school-teacher once in the days before blindness and beggary) and strong regular features; his long yellow-white hair streamed back from his brow and fell curling on his drooping shoulders; a tattered coat (caught at the waist with a cord) hung round him almost to his feet and part covered a dog which lay on the stones, its head resting across Phelim's shoes.

"Pity poor old Phelim!" he wailed, then suddenly found his natural voice. "I don't hear them coppers tumble in," he said sharply to those around him. "How many hours longer are ye goin' to keep me? Come, boys, be Irishmen! Sure the blood o' ye loathes meanness. Rattle them in, me sons; that's right! Niver heed the old beaver; like me! It'll stand a power o' batterin' from money. I wish to glory I was full o' bank notes! It's me! Did I hear a penny fallin' then? Or was it only a single in some miser's pocket? Come, lads, come! That's right—one more! Hurroo!—another!"



Quicker, Sharper, Went the Old Man's Voice.

Heart o' mine, it's rainin' them now! What, and old Phelim turned his face towards the sky, "Is the shower over? Well, well! Och! pity the poor blind!" he whined as he stooped and groped for his hat, lifted it, and coin by coin counted his hoard into a dirty wallet.

"Whisht!" he would say as the coppers dropped, "there goes another, makin' fifteen o' them. Sixteen, as I'm a sinner. Wonders I'll never cease. Nineteen! Will there be twenty? Och! will there be twenty? Wait—aw there is, there is! Twenty-three! Ah! childer, dear, Ireland's gone to pot. Only twenty-nine this blessed day. Twenty-nine coins from such a crowd! Och, och! An' on such a day, w! the sun pourin' down on me poor old skull! Well, childer, dear, I forgive ye; an' in case the stony hearts o' any o' ye wid chance to melt, there's the old beaver on the stones again ready for all it'll get. Aw! pity the poor blind!" he whined again as he stooped and set the hat beside the dog; then straightened himself and raised his face.

"Stand back from me there!" cried Phelim, and swung his staff round the ring. "Crowd back an' give me elbow room. Where am I? Am I in the middle o' the ring? I am. Well, am I straight under the town clock? I am. An' tell me, is the purtiest girl in Lismahoe right afore me? Och! is she? Now, don't laugh. Are ye there, Maureen? Well, in the light o' your blessed eyes old Phelim'll sing ye a song—not av love an' beauty, aw no—jist a wee trifle about me, out o' me own head. Are ye listenin', Maureen? Well, now then—"and stretching his hands and plucking at imaginary harp strings, Phelim sang:

"Good man, Phelim!" cried the ring as the old man finished and, crossing his hands upon his staff, waited for the applause. "Good man, Phelim!" "Bully boy!" "Well sung, me boy!" "Another!" cried the ring; "give us another! Give us Connie Roe."

Phelim raised his staff.

"Silence!" he called. "Silence! Don't be tellin' me what I'm to give ye. Ye'll get just what ye've paid for."

"Connie Roe!" went the voices again; "give us Connie Roe!"

"Will ye whisht there!" roared Phelim. "Another cheep from ye an' I'll shake my feet at ye all. Connie Roe, indeed! Connie Roe for nine an' twenty ha'pence! Who wants Connie Roe?"

"Ivoryone!" came the roar. "Then," said Phelim, and pointed down at his old beaver, "rattle in a few more o' the brown boys; make them forty all told, an' I start. Come! who's first? Quick now! Ho, ho! there they go. Keep at it, boys—one after another, like Paddy's ducks. Och! pity the poor blind! That's the way! Hurroo! Make it fifty and I'll shout me self hoarse. What! all done? Well, well!" he moaned, and stooped for the beaver, "hope I may die in a ditch an' never see the workhouse! Sars me jaylous want save me. Will what's there make the number, I wonder?" he said as he groped among the coins and dropped them through his fingers. "I misdoubt; but no odds I'll trust ye, childer! Trust ye."

Very skillfully he poured the coins into his wallet; then drew himself up, ran his fingers through his hair, and in a measured sing-song (intending you might say) began:

"The sorry word flew round the country side that poor old Connie Roe was dead and gone, dead and gone—gone home. Big w! years she was—peace to her soul—w! years o' poverty, an' cure an' woe. Light lie her bones! All through the weary years she passed as one whose tongue dropped wisdom, whose life was pure, whose hand was ever stretched to give, when givin' meant the stittin' of herself. Her end was peace. Kind willin' hands were by to soothe her passin' an' send her softly on her way. Peace to her soul!"

The old man bowed his head for a moment in the silence of the market place; then, quicker, less mournful, the chant went on:

"An' now let neighbor come w! willin' hearts to sit an' smoke, an' sing sad songs, to yell an' howl, an' glorify the dead w! hideous mockery of the awe of death. I see them now. There in the mud-walled room—its rafters black w! smoke, the floor of clay, the single window small an' dark, the gloom an' smoke—there on chairs, on stools, on bolls of turf, set men an' women, old and young, speakin' tender o' the dead, now loud an' wild an' free, now hushed an' still. From the old hags, w! faces wrung w! grief, their bared arms stretched out to heaven, goes up a fearful shriekin' wail—a wail like spirit's passin' through the night, a wail that thrills w! fear one's very flesh an' makes the blood run cold."

"And in the middle o' the room is set a wooden coffin. All plain and rude it is—the portion of the poor. The hurdles stand; rough wood lies loose on top, rough wood below; above, the candles feebly burn; see how they flare an' gutter in the smoke, an' throw their glimmer through the flickerin' gloom on throngs of livin' ghosts! See how the weird light flits on shinin' tiles all sparklin' round the walls. The kettle hisses there; the fire jumps and falls, jumps and falls—ah! jumps an' shows that gruesome thing stretched out between the candles an' the floor—a thing all skinned up, all stark an' grim. Ah, ah! that senseless shape, that poor old face so calmly restin' there an' peepin' up so still an' cold—so cold! Whisht! the fire falls. Back, back thou gruesome thing! Whisht! comes once more the merry laugh, the sharp debate, the horrid wail. See there again the heedless groups that give no thought to life or death, e'en in the hour of death."

The old man paused; the ring pressed closer; silence held the market place; quicker the chant went on:

"The wale was nearly done; the pipes were out, the talk grown fat an' dull, the courtin' pairs at last well sick of love; old men were fast asleep, the young a-sleepin' as they sat; no more the lads gave up their wail, but wagged their hairy chins in senseless talk."

"The wale was done; and yet none liked to go for out o' doors the night was dark and wild. At last one rose, an' kickin' o'er his stool, cried out, 'Here goes!' then started for the door, but 'ole' stumbled, slipped, and w! a helpless crash fell on the pier. The candles fell; up rose the dead, like a flash, the shroud and head-dress blazed—blazed up, flared out, and showed to all a shape that sprang like life, all wrapped in flame—sprang up, then fell and rolled out on the floor. And all were sure that Connie Roe had come to life to warn them of their sins."

Quicker, sharper, went the old man's voice:

"Then came a scene. A panic seized them all. With shrieks, an' yells, an' curses fierce an' loud, half blind w! fear, half mad w! dread, the wale made for the door. Look, there they go! Like beasts they go—brute beasts—and trample one another down. The door is shut, fast shut. Hear now the cries of fear turn quick to yells of pain. Quick, cravens, quick! One frantic rush. There, there! the wale goes down—the beasts are free! . . . Let then the flames mount high and give dead Connie Roe a martyr's burial. . . . Ah, heavens, not yet! Back, cravens, back! The roof is down, is all ablaze. Hear there that shriek!—it comes from one, a young fair girl, fast prisoned in that blazing tomb. Back, back, ye men, and set the living free!"

"What! Gone? All gone? Oh, hearts of straw!"

"Blow them ye winds, blow hard and lick the flames; blow hard, and ere the morn stars far and wide the ashes of those two—the women old, and her, the maiden fair, whom cowardly left to die! Peace to their souls!"

Biblical Giants.

The famous giant of early times was Og, king of Bashan. Samson must have been of more than ordinary size, as well as extraordinary strength, but the most famous of all biblical giants was Goliath, whom David slew. How tall he was no account states, but he must have been most awe-inspiring to judge from the reluctance of any of the warriors to meet him in single combat until David offered to meet the redoubtable champion.

All Have Essayed Hamlet. Almost every person who has been devoted to stage work has tried his hand on Hamlet, even amateurs. Leading actors who have impersonated Hamlet include Barbauld, Betterton, Garrick, both the Keans, Macready, Forest, Booth, Barrett, Irving, Fichter, Beerboom, Tree, Creston, Clark, Forbes Robertson, Robert Mantell, Sothorn, Walker, Whitesides and others.

Sun's Immense Heat. It is calculated that only a two-thousand-millionth part of the heat emitted by the sun is caught by the earth, whose coal-supply power is relatively so infinitesimal that if every bit of coal in the world were cast into one great bonfire and instantaneously burnt it would not generate as much heat as the sun produces each tenth of a second.

Genius and Music. Hatred of music has been a characteristic of some persons of genius, especially in literature, philosophy and history—e. g., Johnson, Victor Hugo, Catherine II., Zola, Napoleon, Fontenelle and Gautier. On the other hand, among ardent lovers of music have stood Aristotle, Daudet, Darwin, Goethe, Carlyle, Moore and Ruskin.

Illustrious and Obscure. The one man whom European scientists consider the first American expert of to-day in the line of bacteriological investigation, Theobald Smith, is almost unknown to the general public, even in Boston, where he lives and works.

The Influence of Dress. You need not, writes Helen Woljenska, look down upon the woman who spends some thought on her apparel and appearance. The way we dress is but another form of expressing our personality, and influencing our surroundings—for better or worse.

Ask Your Wife. Kansas has a philosopher who says every man ought to ask himself: "Am I a fool?" He overlooks the fact that any married man can get information on that subject without bothering his own conscience about it.—Tacoma Ledger.

The Showy Front. There are a good many people in this country who cannot wear themselves of the habit of looking with admiration on and having confidence in the man who puts up a showy front whether he has anything back of it or not.

Good for Polished Tables. Polished tables may be kept in good condition if about once a week they are rubbed with a mixture of equal parts of turpentine and olive oil. Apply with a piece of flannel, afterwards polishing with a dry cloth.

Find Capability. There is only one plain rule of life eternally binding. It is this: Try thyself unceasingly. Till thou findest the highest thing thou art capable of doing, and then do it.—John Stuart Mill.

Lack of Opportunity. "Some people," said Uncle Eben, "prides themselves too much on bein' good on Sunday. De truth is dat dar an' enough business transacted on dat day to give 'em much chance to be tricky."

Britons Knew of Glass. The Britons, even before the Roman invasion, understood the making of glass, albeit their achievements appear to have been somewhat primitive and restricted to a few types of small vessels and beads.

A Poser. Question for debating societies: When a fire insurance agent tackles a book canvasser, will the canvasser get his life insured, or will he sell a book?—Somerville Journal.

Chinese Detective Force. The Chinese detective force is a secret body, and the best organized in the world. Its members keep an eye on every man, woman or child, and, in addition, watch one another.

The Making of a Name. "The man who makes a name for himself in the world," observed the philosopher, "is the man who inspires others to make it for him."

The Essentials of Happiness. The great essentials of happiness are: Something to do, something to love and something to hope for.—Thomas Chalmers.

A Name for Them. The great difficulty about having laws with iron teeth is that there are already too many lawyer dentists who make a specialty of pulling such teeth.

Greatest Helping Agent. There is no such help in life as an attitude, well chosen and well sustained.—Agnes Repplier.

Given Away.

Mrs. Thomas Johnson Smith was being married for the fourth time in the little country church in which she had been raised. The ceremony was proceeding with all solemnity until the minister reached the point: "Who gives this woman to this man to be his wife, and a voice away back in the congregation replied: 'I generally do.'—Harper's Weekly.

Great Men's Idiosyncrasies. Oliver Goldsmith, poet, historian and essayist, persistently argued that he ate his dinner by the moving of his upper jaw. Dr. Johnson believed in ghosts and second sight. Archbishop Laud had faith in dreams, counted the drops of blood that fell from his nose, giving importance to the number, and, according to Macaulay, "a silly old dotard."

Misdirected Learning. It is not learning in its truest sense that is condemned, but the misdirection of it. The burglar who makes use of the mechanical skill acquired when young to open bank vaults, which ends in bringing him to the penitentiary, will assuredly admit that his knowledge was a delusion and a snare.

Particularly Necessary. "In order to become a successful traveling salesman," wrote the manager of a correspondence school for drummers to a long-distance pupil, "you must be plausible and persuasive—especially when it comes to explaining to the firm why you haven't landed any orders."

Fish Jump Into Boat. A method of fishing that must seem odd to western ideas is practiced by the Chinese. The fisherman lets down from the side of the boat a screen of white canvas. The shoal of fish mistake this for some floating obstruction and try to leap over it, with the result that they jump into the boat.

India's "Sorrowful Tree." The "sorrowful tree," which grows on the island of Goa, near Bombay, is so called because it has a drooping, sad appearance during the daytime, its aspect changing as the sun goes down. Then its leaves open and fragrant bloom some appear.

Lawyer's Long Speech. Lord Alverstone has the distinction of having made the longest speech of any living lawyer. This was when he appeared as counsel for England before the Venezuelan arbitration commission, and his address occupied 16 consecutive days.

How to Fix the Rug. A rug sometimes becomes badly creased. To remedy this turn it upside down and wet the crease with a moistened broom until the rug is quite wet. Stretch the rug tight and let it remain over night, after tacking it with tinned tacks, which do not rust.

As It Is in China. Filial respect is the foundation of the Chinese government. Paternal authority is never infringed. A son cannot carry a process against his father without the consent of all the relations and friends, and even of the magistrates.

But Once in Lifetime. It is rare to meet twice in one's life a heart with which one may sympathize completely, or to tie twice knots so intimate and so solid that death alone may break them.—Viscountess De Lerche.

Blew It Out. Little Margie, aged four, was playing on the lawn, says the Philadelphia Record. Suddenly it became very cloudy and windy. Running into the house, she exclaimed: "Oh, mamma, the wind blew the sun out!"

Heels Studded With Jewels. Women whose jewel caskets metaphorically run over with precious gems may yield to the fashion, which is reported to have caught society's fancy in Paris, of studding the heels of dainty slippers with gleaming stones.

Cowardly Light. Underneath the electric light button in the bedrooms in a popular hotel in The Hague are these words: "The electric light dares not be touched."—Harper's Weekly.

Giving Parties. Giving parties is like washing dishes. By the time a woman thinks she has every one paid up she is invited again and has it all to do over again.—Atchison Globe.

Pretty Tough. "I can't see," muttered Ragged Richard, turning in vain to find a comfortable position in the lumps of coal, "I can't see de life o' me see why dey calls dis here car 'de tender.'"

Seems So. "Some men," remarks the grouchy philosopher, "will name a boy Montmorency and then expect him to be able to earn his own living."

Bachelors. It is noticeable about confirmed bachelors that they usually have ideas about the proper method of bringing up children.

Seal Long Under Water. A seal has been known to remain under water 25 minutes.

Those Happy Days. How sweet to my heart are the days of my pleasured!—Baltimore Sun.

Great Men Absentminded.

Absentmindedness is very common with the man of genius. Newton one day rammed his niece's finger into his pipe. Tscherni once forgot his own name. The archbishop of Munster, seeing on the door of his visitors' room a notice which read: "The master of this house is out," remained there awaiting his own return!

Pens to Be Made of Tantalite. Both steel and gold pens are apparently doomed. Dr. Werner von Bolton delivered before the Electro-Technical association, in Berlin, the other day, an address in which he described the new metal tantalite, which is so hard that a diamond drill makes no impression on it.

Moral May Be Drawn Easily. Scolding wives pay heed. A New York man saved the lives of his family by staying out late. On his arrival home at one o'clock in the morning he found his house full of gas and his wife and children sinking into unconsciousness. Had he stayed home and gone to bed at an early hour the entire family would have been asphyxiated. The moral is plain.

Small Things That Count. A book, a song, or a few words which a passer-by let fall, a study undertaken in a prosaic design, and through necessity, the least chance suffices to an elevated mind to discover a world of ideas and of sentiments.—George Sand (Baroness Dudevant).

A Royal Palace. The palace of the king of Siam is surrounded by high white walls which are a mile in circumference. Within them are contained temples, public offices, stables for the sacred elephants, accommodations for 1,000 troops, cavalry, artillery, war elephants, an arsenal and a theater.

A "Regular Pickle." Margie heard a neighbor speak of some one who was in trouble as being "in a pickle." Shortly after her small brother was planning some mischief and she exclaimed: "Oh, you mustn't do that, Harry, or you will get in a cucumber!"

Shopping Problem Solved. In a recent circular issued by the organizers of an exhibition of lace and silk mantillas and silks in London, the following notice appeared: "Gentlemen accompanying ladies will find a comfortable smoke-room, with coffee and cigars free of charge."

Can Bet They Prayed Fervently. An official of Tientsin, China, recently ordered five prisoners to pray for rain on the understanding that if it did not rain in three days they would be executed. There was a small rainfall, so another five were told off to repeat the experiment.

Awful! "That was a fierce fight you had with Cholly," said Knox. "He claims he licked you." "Oh, the boast!" exclaimed Gussie. "I admit he wumped my cwa'at dreadfully, but you should have seen his collar!"—Philadelphia Press.

War Pigeons Out of a Job. Owing to the development of the telephone, the wireless telegraph and other recent scientific inventions, the Japanese military authorities have decided to stop the employment of carrier pigeons.

Limited Supply of Husbands. In England, according to the Lady's Pictorial, the women outnumber the men, and the system of "bringing up girls to be married" has been tried and has failed, because there are not husbands enough to go round.

Rules for Barking Dogs. An order issued by the Hunstanton (Norfolk) council reads: "Dogs must not bark while trotting along the sea front." The council has instructed the beach officer to make the dogs conform to the rule.—London Standard.

Nothing in It. "F'what's the use o' tellin' a man to begin at the fat o' the ladder?" said Terence. "That's th' way I began, sixteen years ago, an' I'm still a hod carrier, begob!"

"Absent Treatment." A London court has ruled that a physician can collect a fee for advice transmitted over the telephone. This must be what is known as absent treatment.

A Rich Possession. This was ever my chief prayer: A piece of ground, not too large, with a garden and a spring of never-falling water near my house, and a little woodland besides.—Horace.

Millions Spent on Racing. Probably a quarter of a million of dollars is spent on racing in this country every weekday during the season, says a writer in Outing Magazine.

Demand for Alligator Hides. About 150,000 alligator hides are shipped to the United States every year from Mexico and Central America.

A Swift Pace. In these days it is often pretty hard for a man to keep his running expenses from getting so far ahead of him that he can't catch up.

Glass Blowing an Old Art.

In ancient Egypt the blowing of glass and the contriving of glass vessels were in vogue fully 2,000 years before the Christian era. One of the tombs at Sakisara bears a representation of glass blowing, considered to be the earliest known record of an art which, even at that early date, might have been quite an old established institution among the dwellers by the Nile.

Where Worship Comes High. The ground on which All Hallows' church stands, in London, is worth \$4,000,000. The average congregation is 25. At three per cent. the interest on the value of the ground is \$120,000 a year. Therefore it costs about \$5,000 a year, including the running expenses of the church, to supply each member of the congregation with the facilities for worship which are enjoyed.

For Bruised Furniture. For bruised furniture wet the part with warm water, double a piece of brown paper five or six times, soak it in warm water and lay it on the place; apply on that a warm but not hot flatiron till the water is evaporated. If the bruise be not gone repeat the process. After two or three applications the dent or bruise will be raised to the surface.

Fertunes in Bride's Bouquet. At a recent wedding the bride's bouquet was in seven parts, and when she left it was showered upon the six bridesmaids and the maid of honor. Three of the bouquets contained gifts—one of a gold dollar, another a gold ring and the third a gold thimble—the gifts indicating respectively, wealth, a husband and single blessedness.

Grand Duke's Defiance. The grand dukes of Russia must be long-lived. In 1237, the rebellious peasants addressed an ultimatum to the landed gentry: "If you want peace, give us the tenth of your goods," which brought forth the reply: "When we are dead you may have the whole."

Soda Fountains in Demand. The United States consul at Santos, the great coffee shipping city of Brazil, asserts that there is not a soda fountain in that vast tropical country. Yet there are people like soft drinks, and there are 16,000,000 or 20,000,000 Brazilians.

His Easy Task. Johnson was compiling his definitions. "A small undertaking," he remarked; "suppose I had to collect all the things people said they didn't mean." With a happy smile he returned to his dictionary.

Plant That Yields Rubber. Gum vine (gomuzuru) is the Japanese name for a plant that has been discovered in Formosa, from which a very fair quality of rubber can be obtained. It is said to be peculiar to that island, and grows there profusely.

Had Mother Terrorized. A woman at Kelghoy, England, summoned for not sending her boy to school, explained to the bench that when she attempted to chastise him for not going he threatened to report her to the "cruelty" inspector.

A Daily Thought. The best help is not to bear the troubles of others for them, but to inspire them with courage and energy to bear their burdens for themselves and meet the difficulties of life bravely.—Lubbock.

True Beauty. She was a beauty, if beauty, instead of being restricted to the crest of the face, is a pervasive attribute informing the hands, the voice, the gestures, the very fall of a blouse and tilt of a feather.—Edith Wharton.

Wine Poured Into River. A wine dealer in Edingen, Germany, who was convicted of selling wine which he had adulterated, was punished by having his entire stock of 7,500 gallons of wine poured into the River Neckar.

Strange. A western man has been credited with saying that if he owned a newspaper he wouldn't know what to do with it. He's probably the only man who ever thought that way.

Cheap Traveling in India. Native third-class passengers in India travel at the rate of five miles for two cents. The number traveled last year was 227,000,000, and the average fare paid was 16 cents.

Hard to Understand. "Oh zeas langvalch," wailed the count, "You say he eses what you call one square man, yet he eses all round like what you call heem ze pumpkin."

Wiser Ones Don't Try. It is a wise forecaster of political weather who can tell where lightning will strike two years in advance.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Truth That Impresses. There are truths which the heart admits only after long hesitations, but light comes once and the eyes remain open.—Countess D'Orray.

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